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## Promising football player killed in auto accident

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

Joseph A. Muir, sophomore linebacker for the Mansfield University Mountaineers, died in an automobile accident on June 19.

At the time, Muir was traveling late at night on Bloomingrove Road 1.5 miles north of Williamsport in Loyalsock township.

According to the police report, Muir was killed instantly when a car driven at high speed by Michael Bryan Krall, a 16 year old from Williamsport, crossed the center line and collided head on with Muir's vehicle. Krall and his passenger, Michael D. Pontious, also 16, were admitted to the Williamsport Hospital in serious but stable condition.

When paramedics arrived at the scene, Muir showed no evidence of vital signs. Emergency personnel then concentrated their efforts on the two 16 year olds who were already out of their car. Muir was pronounced dead at the scene by George Gedon, Lycoming County Coroner. It appeared that he died of the massive internal injuries he sustained.

Police said that Muir was not wearing his seat belt.

Muir was a standout football player at Williamsport High School. During the 1995 season he played in nine games for the Mounties, starting in three of those nine games. Because of the many injuries suffered by the upperclassman starters, Muir and many other freshmen were thrown into games without the experience of the veterans they played against.

Despite his youth and lack of college experience, Muir racked up a total of 23 tackles last year. This ranked him as twelfth on last year's team. He also recovered two fumbles.

This year, Muir would have added further depth to a young but experienced Mountaineer linebacking corps. He was expected to be in contention for this year's opening at the weak inside linebacker position.

Muir is remembered as a hard worker and a tough as nails player on the field by his teammates and his coaches. Head MU Football Coach Joe Viadella related that Muir was a very teachable player. If he did something wrong in a practice or a game his mis-

take would be pointed out and you could depend on him not to make the same mistake twice.

"He was a really innate football player. He had a sense for the game," said Viadella.

Muir was respected by his fellow players as well as by his coaches.

"He was like two different people," said Pat Ginther, sophomore noseguard. "He played with reckless abandon on the field, but off the field he was one of the nicest guys in the world. He wasn't that big, but he was crazy on the field. He'd go up against anybody."

Athletic Mentor, Coach Tom Elsasser had nothing but positive things to say about Muir.

"He was a great person and very well liked by the people of Williamsport and his peers."

The Mountaineer coaching staff had high hopes for Muir. Viadella believes that he had what it took to become an even better football player. Muir had fought through a difficult fall semester last year and had set some definite goals for both his life and his football career. Viadella spoke to Muir a week before the fatal accident.



Joseph Muir

"He was high spirited. There was no doubt in my mind," said Viadella. "He was well on his way to be doing what he wanted to be doing. It's a shame that it happened."

Not only will Muir be missed  
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## Fraternity has charter suspended

by Nancy P. Corbo  
managing editor

On August 15, the Pennsylvania Delta chapter of the Mansfield University chapter of the Phi Kappa Theta fraternity was suspended due to its decline in operational standards according to a press release by the executive board of Phi Kappa Theta.

According to executive director of Phi Kappa Theta fraternity, Mark T. McSweeney, there are minimum standards that all chapters need to maintain in order to retain their charter. He said that the local chapter has not been performing according to those standards.

According to McSweeney, the reasons why Phi Kappa Theta suspended MU's charter was because of the difficulties with the external involvement of the membership, the size of the chapter and the financial status of the chapter.

"They [Phi Kappa Theta] have considerable debt to the national fraternity," McSweeney said.

He also stated that there have

been a series of leadership changes throughout the year which may indicate poor local chapter leadership.

The university, the local Phi Kappa Theta chapter and their alumni were notified of the loss of charter by an executive board press release.

According to the press release, the Executive Offices, the alumni and the university agreed that it was a necessary step to ensure any future vitality of Phi Kappa Theta at Mansfield.

Chris Bongartz, president of Mansfield's chapter of Phi Kappa Theta, said that he does not agree with the way the fraternity itself gets accused for individual actions.

"I don't agree with how most of the time the actions of individuals are looked upon as actions of the fraternities," Bongartz said.

Advisor of the local chapter Dr. Walter Funmaker, said that he has not received any notice from the national fraternity or the university regarding the suspension of the charter.

"They [Phi Kappa Theta] still have their charter and are still operating as a fraternity group," Funmaker said. "I think if they pay their money, they will still have their charter."

According to Associate Director of Housing Operations Mr. Carmen Bianco, the decision to suspend the charter was made after the local chapter did not appear before the Executive Board of Trustees of Phi Kappa Theta in August.

McSweeney said that the meeting was a Show Cause Hearing which

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## Mansfield hires new Provost

by Josh Cusatis  
and Kate Griffith  
staff reporters

If being a hands-on administrator is one of the ingredients to being successful, then Dr. Joseph Moore is sure to excel in his job as the newly appointed provost.

Moore, who succeeds former provost Dr. George Mullen, began on August 5.

Mullen's decision to retire came last fall after 13 years of service to the university. Mullen announced his retirement last fall.

One of Moore's beliefs is that to be a good provost he must keep in constant contact with the students on campus.

"I've met a lot of students at the rec center playing basketball," Moore said. "I need to know the students here."

Moore was the first choice of students, faculty, staff and the search committee and he was the former director of planning and academic services for Vermont's state system of higher education.

"He was my first choice," said Mansfield University President Rod Kelchner. "The committee gave me two names to choose from. When they asked me who I was going to offer the position to, I told them and they said, 'Good.'"

According to Moore, the provost is responsible for the integrity of the programs at MU, the range of pro-

grams available, advising the students and faculty and recruiting undergraduate and graduate students. In addition to these responsibilities, the provost is in charge of maintaining the fiscal integrity of the university, student orientation, faculty evaluations and the hiring of new employees.

"(It's) a killer job," said Sandra Linck, associate provost. "All of the work that might have been funneled out to deans at other institutions falls into the hands of the provost here. It's probably the most difficult job here on campus."

According to Kelchner, Moore will have many administrators to help him get acquainted to the job.

Kelchner's cabinet - Linck, Joseph Maresco, vice president of student affairs, and William Yost, vice president of administration and finance - will be the most help to Moore as he adjusts to his new position.

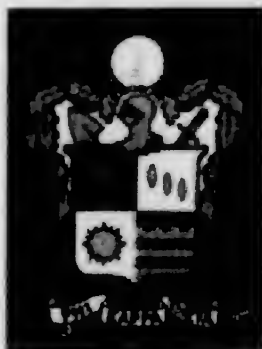
"We have a lot of people here that will make the break-in process a lot easier," Kelchner said.

Linck says she will be responsible for training Moore and helping him learn the ropes.

"Almost anything he needs to know, he'll have to get it from me," Linck, who served as interim provost until Moore arrived, said.

Moore said he is very excited about his new job here and is interested in doing the best job he can.

"I want to make this more of a learning institution where not only the students get an education but the faculty and administration as well," Moore said.





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as a player but he will also be missed as a friend and a leader.

"It just doesn't seem real. It was awkward that he wasn't here," said Muir's best friend on the team, Corey Burkholder, a sophomore linebacker from Loyalsock.

But Burkholder said that when he gets discouraged he thinks about his friend who he can no longer be with. Not

every one has the opportunity to play a game that they love and to have a part in the camaraderie of a team. Burkholder said that thinking of Muir "is more of an inspiration—a more positive effect than negative."

Viadella said that Muir's death is an example of his philosophy on life and on football: "Never cheat yourself. Be the best that you can be. You never know what the future holds."

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was to be held in order to determine whether or not the charter would remain intact.

According to Bongartz, the absence of the local chapter at the meeting was not the fault of the fraternity. Bongartz claimed that last spring when the nationals scheduled the meeting, they only notified members of the fraternity that were graduating and that word was not passed on to this semester's members.

The purpose of the meeting was to work out a program regarding image improvement for the local chapter, Bongartz said.

According to Michael Lemasters, the advisor to the the Inter-Fraternity Council, since the local chapter is not recognized by the nationals or the university, all undergraduate activity under the name of Phi Kappa Theta Fraternity has ceased. This means Phi Kappa Theta cannot reserve university facilities or participate in university events such as Homecoming.

Bongartz said that the local chapter plans on appealing the issue with the national fraternity in order to get their charter back.

"We're going to take care of whatever needs to be done in order to get our charter back," Bongartz said. "It's foolish to assume that Phi Kappa Theta is gone from Mansfield University."

McSweeney said that the nationals will wait at least four years before they consider the notion of returning the charter to its chapter.

"The charter will remain suspended until we [the executive board] return to Mansfield University," McSweeney said.

In addition to having their charter suspended, the local chapter no longer resides in their former place of residence on 70 East Wellsboro Street.

According to Francis Kollar, director of career development and placement services, and owner of the building, the house was never actually rented to the fraternity but it was rented to seven individuals within the fraternity.

Kollar stated that because nobody signed the lease by May 15th and since the house was in need of updating, the seven individuals lost the house. He also said that he is currently renting it out to other students.

Bongartz said that it was the decision of the individual brothers who originally signed the lease not to renew it.

"There were a lot of individual problems between the owner and the brothers," Bongartz said. "[Kollar] didn't fulfill his obligation as a landlord to keep the house in livable shape and things just weren't in working condition."

Bongartz said that the fraternity is currently looking to buy their own house in Mansfield and expect to have it by January.

"We [Phi Kappa Theta] appreciate the support we've gotten from other Greek organizations and the college community," Bongartz said. "We will also make every attempt to come back and be a better and stronger fraternity."

## New coffee shop caters to campus and community

by Lisa Robinson  
and Aimee York  
staff reporters

This Summer the breeze blowing through downtown Mansfield was tinged with the smell of fresh coffee and scones as the Ten West Espresso Co., a new coffee shop, opened its doors at 10 W. Wellsboro Street in Mansfield.

The shop, which opened in June, is owned by Jakki Flanagan-Folcarelli and her husband Anthony Folcarelli Jr. It was created in the image of the many Latte and Espresso shops that dot the streets of San Francisco, said Flanagan-Folcarelli.

Ten West Espresso Co. is the couple's first business together. It is their attempt to fill what they see as a hole present in many cities in Pennsylvania: the absence of coffee shops. While the business is Flanagan-Folcarelli's first, her husband Anthony has been in business for himself as a carpenter since 1980, said Flanagan-Folcarelli.

The decor of the intimate, smoke-free coffee shop consists of five tables covered with bright cloths and several have small lamps. Artwork by MU students Ron Koernig and Julie Morrette hangs on the walls.

"I hope to rotate the work with other artists," Flanagan-Folcarelli said.

The response to the presence of Ten West has been good so far, said Flanagan-Folcarelli.

"We've had a more positive response than we expected," she said. "We could be busier though."

One customer, Myrra Witlin, an MU graduate student, commented that she feels the shop is a positive addition to the community.

"The coffee's great and so far the place has been doing good," Witlin said. "A lot of things have been in this

location and a lot have succeeded and a lot haven't, so we'll see."

While college students are a major source of business for the shop, Flanagan-Folcarelli said the shops see customers of all kinds, including faculty, locals, and travelers.

MU freshman Heather Butler, is not a frequent customer. "They need a larger sign because it's almost hard to find," said Butler.

Ten West regularly features a daily blend, chosen out of eight different types of coffee, and a house blend, formulated by Flanagan-Folcarelli, as well as Espresso, Cappuccino, and many flavored syrups.

The shop also carries twelve types of teas (three of which are caffeine-free) including Mango Ceylon, Orange Ginger Mint, and Cardamon Cinnamon. The teas are offered by the cup or tin and are manufactured by the Republic of Tea.

Some bakery items, such as Power Bagels and Long Island bagels come straight from New York. Ten West also sells five different types of cookies, and scones derived from England, which are made locally by Liz McLellan, said Flanagan-Folcarelli.

Although Ten West is owned by Flanagan-Folcarelli and Folcarelli, it is primarily run by Flanagan-Folcarelli who has recently hired three employees to help with the newly expanded hours. Although closed on Sundays, Ten West is open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturdays.



Due to technical difficulties, Student Voices will not run this week.

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## Police Beat

08/26/96

14:15 Motor vehicle accident. No injuries, minor damage to both vehicles.

20:40 Fire alarm activated in Cedarcrest B. Checked room and found single match on table near alarm sensor. Cigarette was lit and set alarm off.

08/28/96

21:35 Assisted Mansfield Police Department with a possible stalking. Chase by vehicle ending in front of Cedarcrest.

08/31/96

16:35 Officer requested assistance with a disorderly person at the St. James Apartments Complex in Mansfield. Arrived on scene and assisted officer with subject.

09/01/96

12:50 Student sick. Severe stomach pains, throwing up.

14:40 Criminal mischief.

Damage to vehicle in unknown manner. Right rear taillight knocked out.

20:42 Female student was receiving harassing calls from an ex-boyfriend over money. The student was concerned the ex-boyfriend may break into her dorm room. Officer dispatched to location to speak with student.

09/04/96

00:37 Officers dispatched an ambulance for a female student who had overdosed on prescription medication. The individual was transported to Soldiers and Sailors Memorial hospital.

## The Flashlight wants you

We would like to invite anyone interested in helping out at the Flashlight. The Flashlight is made up of students like you and we are always looking for people to help fill up that box on the left. So if you're interested, stop by the Flashlight office at 217 Memorial Hall next fall, and talk to one of our editors.



## Jury selection underway for Dorman assault case

**Thomas Jones**  
staff reporter  
**Eugene Yager**  
news editor

On March 3rd, MU junior John Lipsey of Berwick, PA was allegedly attacked and assaulted at a Phi Kappa Theta fraternity party held at the local chapter's house.

In an interview in the April 19, 1996 issue of the Flashlight, Officer Paul DeLosa of the Mansfield Borough Police department said "We are alleging that at some point Mr. Dorman punched Mr. Lipsey knocking him to the ground. There's a number of people involved in

the incident."

Since that time, Lipsey has undergone drastic facial and head surgery. He was unavailable for comment.

The accused assaulter, Matthew Dorman, an MU alumnus was charged with two misdemeanors, according to the office of the Mansfield District Justice. Dorman was waived from the office when he pled not guilty to the charges.

Both counts brought up against Dorman are second degree misdemeanors and hold a maximum fine of 2 years in jail and a fine of \$5,000 for each count, DeLosa said.

The case, registered as case numbers 178-CA 1996, and 211-CA

1996, has been sent to Wellsboro, and a jury trial is planned.

The jury selection process will begin Friday, Sept. 6, officials at the County Court of Common Pleas said.

"To my knowledge, this is the biggest occurrence in several years," Paul Shaw, Mansfield Borough Chief of Police said.

According to Shaw there are ways to prevent this type of incident from ever occurring again.

"Have a better handle on alcohol, and more control over guests," said Shaw. "Anytime you go somewhere where there are large amounts of alcohol, you need to be cautious."

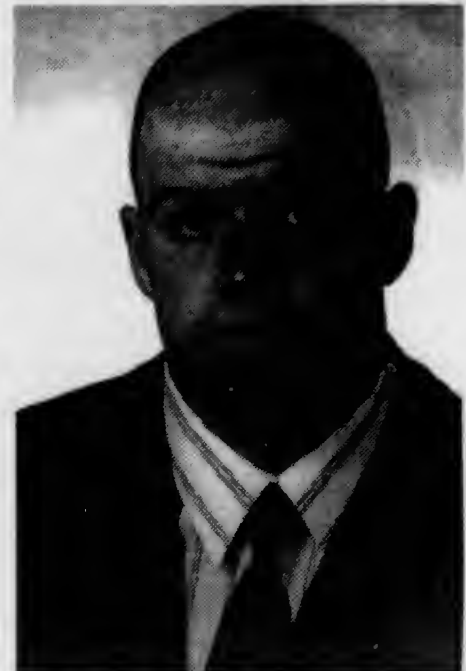


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MU junior John Lipsey who underwent drastic facial and head surgery.

## Free student web pages available at MU

**Kristine Dennis**  
staff reporter

With the help of the Computer Science Club, Mansfield University students will be able to post their own Internet Web pages at no cost.

The project is sponsored by the Student Web and is entirely student run. The site allows students and organizations to create a page of their own. Available on the site are sample pages and tips on

designing your page. There are also several different links to check for additional help.

"The key thing to remember is that this service is free," said Rustin Kreider, Vice President of the Computer Science Club. He encourages students to take advantage of this service.

"Anyone willing to put forth any effort can make a decent page," commented Kreider. For some students designing a home page is required for their class. This gives them the opportu-

nity to make a page and post it on the internet at no cost.

Other sites available on the web include M.U. Alumni links, Campus related information, a site to post resumes for potential employers and a statistics site to check how many people have visited your page.

So far the response has been minimal. Kreider is hoping things will pick up when students learn of the service. "Right now the bare bones are there... there is no meat to it yet," stated Kreider.

Any student interested in the service can access the site at the following address: <http://mustuweb.mnsfld.edu>. The student web is also linked to the Mansfield University home page.

If anyone would like to join the Computer Science Club or if you would like more information, contact Rustin Kreider at his e-mail address: [kreiderr@wheat.mnsfld.edu](mailto:kreiderr@wheat.mnsfld.edu).

## Recreation center to be completed early next semester

**by Chris McGann**  
editor-in-chief

The construction of the new recreation center suffered some minor setbacks over the summer but it will be open early next semester.

"It will be in for the lion's share of the second (next) semester," said Vice President of Student Affairs, Joseph Maresco. He said that the building will be ready for use by February.

Maresco added that there will be some landscaping work done throughout next semester, but this is only cosmetic. The facilities will still be usable by early next semester.

The construction was delayed this summer because of the weather. This caused problems with the concrete, which must be poured under certain conditions.

There was also a small problem with mixing some concrete in a small section of the foundation. According to Maresco, this was caused because the concrete is mixed using computers. There may have been a computer error in the mixing process. Maresco said that this problem was fixed.

He did express concerns about the construction this winter.

"We are trying to get under cover for the cold weather," Maresco said. he also said that the construction crews are working long hours to get the building done on time.

He also said that the project is on budget and it will probably stay that way.

"Most surprises happen while digging the foundation," He said.

The construction of the Rec Center is expected to go smoothly and the end result will give Mansfield University a superior facility for recreation.

"In four years, I visited numerous Recreation Centers to learn good ideas," said Recreation Director Hugh Schintzius. "We also don't want to make the same mistakes."

The Rec Center will have a weight room, an aerobics room, as well as a gymnasium with three basketball courts and markings and dividers for racquetball, walleyball, volleyball, badminton, and indoor soccer. There will also be shower facilities.

In addition to usage by students, the recreation department will sell memberships to employees, their



Photo by Chris McGann

Construction on the recreation center continued throughout the summer and is to be completed early next semester.

spouses, and alumni for \$100. Schintzius said that he does not expect this to affect students' access to the facilities and equipment.

In order to enter the building, students and members will need to run their identification card through a scanner to confirm that the person is allowed in the building.

Schintzius said that he hopes that the new building will get more

people involved in recreational activities.

"The building could become a social hangout," Schintzius said. He added that the building will be more convenient than decker gym and it will be safer to walk to at night.

Maresco is also excited about the new building.

"It will add a dimension to campus life that we haven't had in the past," Maresco said.

## Attendance policy discussed at Student Government meeting

**Thomas Jones**  
staff reporter

In the first meeting of the semester, Mansfield's Student Government Association welcomed students back to campus and discussed business for the new semester. The meeting, was held Tuesday in North Dining Hall.

The major discourse of the night took place over the SGA meeting attendance policy.

The original policy states that if a senator or board member misses one meeting with or without excuse he or she

will receive a verbal warning. After the second absence he or she is sent a letter and after the third the individual is brought up in front of the entire SGA congress in order to defend the absences.

Certain members of the congress felt the policy was too harsh.

After discussion and a senate vote, it was decided that no changes in policy would be implemented.

Another topic of discussion was the upcoming North Hall "Grand Opening" celebration to be held next weekend.

Dr Stephen Bickham, chairman of the North Hall celebration commit-

tee, addressed the congress. He passed out posters and urged the senators to take a leadership role in the celebration.

"We fought so hard to get North Hall," Bickham said. "It's an amazing thing."

The celebration, which will have an 1890's theme, will feature an all university dance, balloons, a North Hall museum tour and crochet among other 1890's activities.

SGA President, Mark Smith, remarked that the celebration would be a very special event that everyone should be a part of.

"It will be a once in a lifetime

event. Something you will tell your kids about," Smith said. "It will single handedly change the future of M.U."

Last on the evening's agenda dealt with the resignation of the SGA corresponding secretary and the election of a replacement. Cecil Cyburg won the election and took over as corresponding secretary.

To end the meeting, the SGA president Smith remarked on how excited he was toward the new year. North Hall, the Fitness Center, the Freshman Class of 2000, and MU's new home page on the Internet, promise an exciting year, Smith said.



# Concert choir complete successful European tour

by Kristyn E. Stackhouse  
staff reporter

The Mansfield University Concert Choir successfully completed a two week tour through Europe at the end of last May.

The choir, under the direction of Dr. Peggy Dettwiler, Director of Choral Activities at MU, was invited to participate with 27 choirs from all over the world in the "Florilege Vocal de Tours Festival," a three day international choir competition in Tours, France. In addition to France, the concert choir extended their tour and performed in Italy, Austria, and Germany.

"I would say that the tour was a definite success," Dettwiler said. "It was the most powerful and emotional experience. For me as a director, it was really moving for me to be a part of developing a memorable experience for the students."

The success of the choir's tour culminated at the choral competition in France. The MU concert Choir performed in two qualifying rounds and were asked to compete in the finals.

"They (competition officials) announced the qualifying choirs for the final round in the cafeteria," Dettwiler said. "The kids were so excited. There was a lot of shouting, hugging, and crying."

While MU did not win the competition, that did not dampen the spirits of the choir members.

"Congratulations are in order for the choir for a tremendous job," Michael Trowbridge, a senior music merchandising major and concert choir member said. "Every concert was won-

derful, and to get into the final round of the choir competition in France was a real accomplishment. Everyone deserves a standing ovation!"

Cheryl Kratzer, a senior music education major and concert choir member, agreed.

"At that time we were really a group," Kratzer said. "We were one. We were so surprised to have made it that far, it was overwhelming and we were just so glad to be in the competition in the first place."

Another notable highlight of the tour according to Jean Brown, wife of music professor Edward Brown, was the choir's performance in Stuttgart, Germany.

"The choir's voices swelled with the expressive and moving 'Alleuia' by Randall Thompson and our hearts swelled with pride once again to share this grand musical experience," Brown said.

The choir performed the entire Stuttgart concert from memory, singing two encores and receiving a standing ovation, Dettwiler said.

Although the tour ended on May 29, it left lasting impressions on choir members.

"It is very hard to find words to express what this trip has meant to me," Heather Harrier, a junior music education major and concert choir member said. "The performances on tour were magical. The choir sang as one voice with one heart and gave the performances of a lifetime. I have never felt such pride as I feel for this group right now. We overcame difficulties and worked fantastic success!"

Concert choir member Vincent



The MU concert choir, pictured here on one of the legs of their European tour

Salvage, a senior, echoes Harrier's sentiments.

"This was by far the best experience I have had in my life thus far," Salvage said. "I only hope that the experience and knowledge we all gained on tour becomes a building block in the process of our own personal and professional lives."

According to Dettwiler, preparations for the trip began in April 1995. The choir raised over \$36,000 during the course of the year. Some students held recitals in their communities or used other efforts to help fund the trip.

The concert choir is a select ensemble of singers that represent MU on concert tours. Most of the members of the choir are undergraduate music majors, although membership is open to all students at the university.

The concert choir's first performance will be Saturday, Oct. 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the Prism Concert. The first major concert will be Saturday, Nov. 23 at 8:00 p.m.

A CD, "The Mansfield University concert Choir on Tour," will be available to the public at the beginning of November. The CD contains music from the European tour as well as other concerts.

Editor's note: Some of the quotes for this article were taken from the MU Concert Choir's 1996 European Tour journal. It is a music department publication containing memories and other memorabilia collected and compiled by the choir members while on the European tour, which they just recently completed.

## Mansfield will not erect 125 foot communications tower

by Kate A. Griffith  
staff reporter

Editors note: this story originally appeared in the Williamsport Sun-Gazette on Wednesday, September 4.

Those who were concerned about the construction of a 125-foot tower on Main Street in Mansfield will look out their windows and smile this morning.

Tuesday night the Mansfield Zoning Hearing Board denied a request by Tri-County Rural Electric Co-Op to erect a 125-foot self-supporting steel communications tower behind their North Main Street office.

Residents and neighbors to the existing 65-foot tower had numerous reasons for turning out to protest the new tower, including the safety and the aesthetics of the downtown area.

Petitions against the tower construction containing the signatures of 71 of Mansfield's residents were presented to the board by Charlie Oulett, owner of the Shoe Spot on Main Street.

"We are trying to get the town cleaned up and get rid of the wires, not add more debris," he said.

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Thomas, pastor of First Presbyterian, urged the board members to make a decision Tuesday night, and to decide against the tower because of the way Tri-County REC has

handled their request.

"The company asked for an 81-foot tower, then they only used a 65-foot tower; they applied for a 125-foot tower, but a 100-foot tower would get them a clear line-of-sight," he said. "They're acting responsibly to the zoning board's requests, but they're responsible to the member owners of the co-op, and the zoning board is responsible to the people of Mansfield."

According to Craig Eccher, Tri-County's manager of engineering, the co-op applied for taller structures to "cover all the bases."

Since the last zoning board hearing on the tower, Tri-County has explored several other options, including

leasing a tower owned by Commonwealth Telephone Company, who has a tower it is currently not using, and they've also made initial contacts with Mansfield University concerning the use of a 40-to 50-foot tower located on a building on the campus, Eccher said.

"Even if the board grants our request to construct the tower in town, we still may not put it in if commonwealth has a good proposal," Eccher said. "We're looking at the best communication and the best economics."

William Chabala, board chairman, read a recommendation to the board from the planning commission, which said that the request should be denied based on the safety and appearance of the structure in town.

## Forum asks question- should tobacco be banned as a drug in U.S.

by Kari Reagan  
staff reporter

The first forum of the school year was a debate about the legal issues surrounding tobacco and its use.

The forum took place on Tuesday, Sept. 6 in the Cedarcrest Rec Room and was entitled "Should Tobacco Be Banned as an Illegal Drug?"

Speakers at the forum were Professor James Glimm of the English department, Dr. Helen Biblehimer of the health science department, Professor Gale Largey of the sociology department, and the moderator was Dr. Richard Walker of the math department.

Walker opened the forum, and spoke about the dangers of tobacco use.

According to Walker, a thousand Americans die everyday of tobacco related illnesses and billions of dollars in health care costs are spent every year on these illnesses. Costs, which according to Walker, are shared by all.

Glimm argued against the banning of tobacco, stating that illegalization of tobacco would be impossible to regulate and enforce.

"Banning tobacco as an illegal drug is unenforceable. When you pass a law, you need to pass a law that's enforceable," Glimm said.

Glimm also stated that this

would be "a stupid law" because people who smoke know that cigarettes are bad for them.

"150 years ago they were referred to as 'cancer sticks,'" Glimm said. "Even back then they knew that they were bad for them."

Glimm expressed that government restriction of cigarettes would be denying Americans certain freedoms.

"It is a bad idea to create a law just because something is harmful to you. This is infringing on you personally," Glimm said.

Largey then spoke from the stance that the government should take action and ban cigarettes.

"This (cigarettes) is just another product an industry produces just to get people hooked on. Also it is a product to make a lot of money on," Largey said. "If they (the government) can ban guns and alcohol, why not ban something like cigarettes?"

Largey ended his speech by stating that ecologically cigarettes are crazy because they pollute the air and deplete the soil.

"Just ban them period," Largey said.

Last to speak was Biblehimer who spoke against cigarettes from a health perspective.





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## FLASHLIGHT

If you are interested in Newspaper reporting, photography, advertising, business or computer experience join the FLASHLIGHT. Meetings are held Monday evenings at 4:00 in the office, 217 Memorial Hall. Any major is welcome. If you have any questions about what there is an opening in, or what goes on, just give us a call, 662-4986. The search is over, you have found the FLASHLIGHT, on the Dark Side.

## Club Canada

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## Campus Bulletin Policy:

Please submit all campus, community, or public announcements to the Flashlight office, 217 Memorial Hall no later than Tuesday of each week. All submissions must be TYPED and contain a contact name and phone number. Please, no personal messages.

Eta Beta Tau, Mansfield University's fine arts fraternity, wishes all freshmen and returning students a successful and enjoyable academic year.

Our rush week begins on Sept. 16 and runs through Sept. 20. Monday is Info Night at 9:30 pm at Pinecrest. Tuesday is Coffeehouse at 9:00 pm in Pinecrest. Wednesday is Pool Night at 9:00 in Memorial. Thursday is Pasta Night at 7:30 in Pinecrest. Bids go out on Friday.

## Salutations,

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. would like to welcome back veteran students, as well as, the incoming freshman. We hope that you had a pleasant and safe summer. Hopefully it was reviving and you are now ready to tackle the many assignments and lectures that will be presented to you. For those who are new, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. is an African-American Fraternity that strives for achievement in every field of human endeavor. If you need any assistance with class courses or any general information feel free to call Maurice Johnson at (717)662-2486. Have A Good Semester, Kappa Alpha Psi Frater-

We, the brothers of Phi Kappa Theta, would like to welcome everybody back to school and wish everybody a successful semester.

Please check out our web pages at: <http://mustuweb.mnsfld.edu/studorgs/pkt>

## CLASSIFIEDS

Do something special for Special Olympics. Play SUPER BINGO with the best at Mansfield Fire Hall on Sunday, September 15, 1996 from NOON (Doors open at 10:30 a.m.) to 4 p.m. (approx.). Tickets cost \$25.00. Refreshments available, along with cash prizes, mini jackpots, and super jackpots. Tickets available at: Tioga Office Products, Mansfield Fire Department, or call 662-3972. Hope to see you later!

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Only JUNIORS are eligible to apply.

For more information contact Prof. Albert Dalmolen in Pinecrest 206. ext. 4762.

Phi Beta Lambda welcomes back freshman and returning students.

Phi Beta Lambda is Mansfield University's business fraternity. every fall and spring we have business trips to various places to gain skills and strength for future business endeavors. this fall our business workshop will be at the Yorktown Business Institute on Oct. 12.

Phi Beta Lambda's officers are: President-Melanie Wansacz; Vice-President-Tracy Drinosky; Secretary-Bill Kenny; Parliamentarian-Kristen La Fleur; Reporter/Historian-Judie Wilson; Pledge Educators-Beth Ann McCabe and Sharitta Bowie; Treasurers-Carl Polchan; Sergeant at Arms-Amy Dugo; and Store Promotion-Alison Klein.

If you are interested in joining Phi Beta Lambda, contact Melanie Wansacz at 662-5117.

Phi Beta Lambda also runs Greek-T's and More located in room 224 Memorial Hall. This store deals with greek lettered T-shirts and gear. Greek-T's and More will be open for the campus on Monday, Sept. 16.

Check us out.

To learn how you can make an 1890's outfit from clothing you have, please come to 1890's clothing workshop on Thursday, September 12 from 7 until 9 in Laurel Lounge.

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## Opinions

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### The North Hall budget and the damage done

Does Mansfield University remind anyone else of the fall of the Roman Empire?

Let's review. The Romans, in their waning years, put on the appearance of prosperity while the empire declined. Mansfield University has recently donned a mask of prosperity with the renovation of North Hall and the building of the Recreation Center but the internal structure of the school seems to be on the decline.

We are not saying that we do not think that North Hall is a beautiful building- we do. Nor are we saying that having a state of the art library isn't nice as well. All we are saying is that in an era when programs are being cut seemingly every day and tuition rates are growing at an alarming rate, having a state of the art library is a little like placing the cart before the proverbial horse.

The money that went into building North Hall could have been spent on other things. Even though it is true that the money that was used to build North Hall did not come from MU students, the money that was used could have been put to better use. Lower tuition rates for students, new books for the library, or improved academic programs are just a few ways in which the money could have been used.

It would be refreshing indeed to see administrators such as President Kelchner and the Council of Trustees lobbying Harrisburg and MU alumni for money to save the content of MU as hard as he lobbied the latter for money for North Hall.

The library is cutting twenty five percent of the periodicals it carries. The furniture in the library and administration offices seems rather excessive when many of the books in the library are out of date. Many departments are also facing budget cuts which force cuts in many academic areas, most notably in faculty.

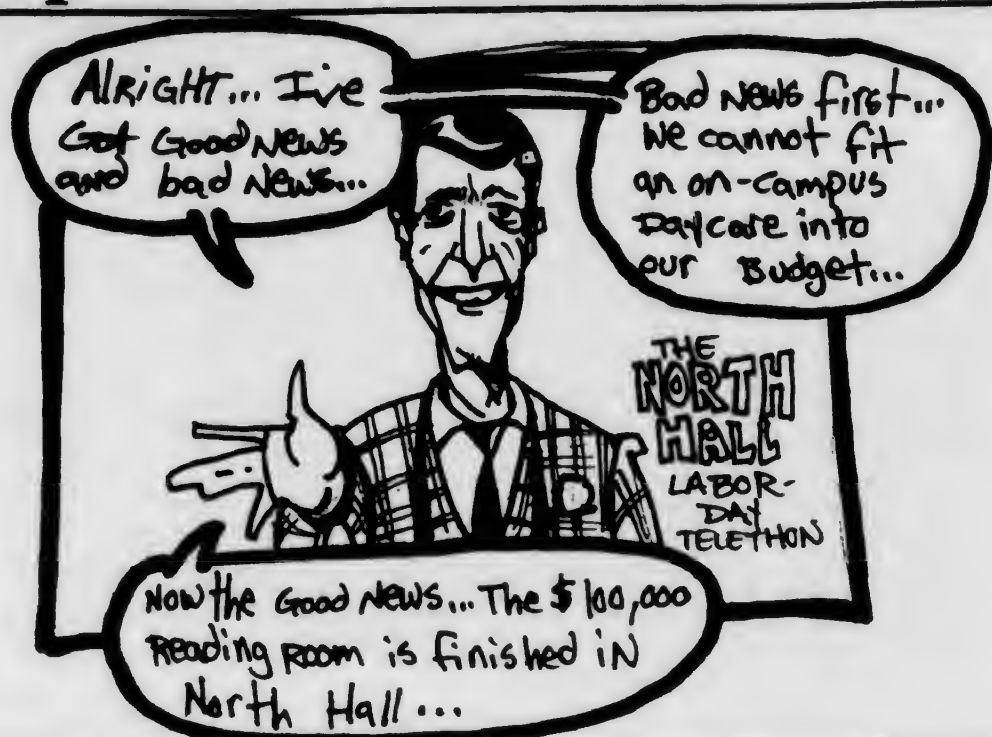
Another matter of great concern among many people at MU is the lack of child day care on campus. Surely some of the money that went to the North Hall project could have been used for this very urgent problem. If this is not feasible, a fund raiser with the same prominence and visibility of the North Hall Campaign would possibly be in order.

A question must be asked. Do we want a university that looks really nice, but has no substance in terms of it's curriculum; or do we want a university which has excellent all around programs with lower student to professor ratios and looks like it was shot out of the seventies.

It cost nine million dollars to refurbish North Hall. Nine professors at \$100,000 a year for ten years is another way that money could be thought of. Look at the book shelves of North Hall and what do you see? Old, outdated books is what we see. Ten million dollars buys many new books. Even new desks in classrooms would be more beneficial than a dinette area in the presidential suite.

So now that the university has created a beautiful shell for itself, it should consider the more important inner workings of the institution.

We would like to be proven wrong. We would like nothing more than for the University to show us that we have jumped the gun. Improve the programs, or at least stop the steady decline of the internal workings of the University. Show us that we have spoken too soon, please. Sadly, we do not see this happening anytime soon. We have a beautiful testimonial to what lobbying for money, and hard work can achieve. Unfortunately it is just a building, and not the content of our programs.



**Hey! This space is for you! If you have any problems or comments about any issue on campus then send us a letter and we'll print it!**

#### Commentary policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary you may turn it in to the *Flashlight* office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writer's name, major, class and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week, we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.

#### Letters to the editor policy

The *Flashlight* is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with few exceptions. That means that you can write about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is not willing to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

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# Commentary

## MU professor discusses Dole's non-education policy

**Dr. Stephen Bickham**

I'm not a very political person, but as a professor and someone who believes in education I am interested in what the presidential candidates have to say on this important subject. And what Bob Dole has to say disturbs me.

There are many serious issues and problems facing education today, and any responsible candidate needs to address these. Are we funding public education properly? Using property taxes as the basic funding source has a good many drawbacks. It leads to rich and poor school districts, which seems to me un-American; it also makes the school tax a lightning rod for tax protest groups, since it is so visible and needs to be paid by check unlike the income tax or Social Security payments. Are local school boards the way to administer today's schools? Is inclusion, as it is practiced

today a benefit to education, or is it leading to a decline in the overall quality of teaching and learning? How can we educate the increasing number of children coming from dysfunctional families? Are our high schools successful in graduating students either prepared for college or for the work force?

Bob Dole has chosen to face none of these thorny issues. He has chosen a non-policy rather than a policy. This non-policy has two major planks—Bill Clinton is a slave of the teachers' union, and Dole wants to give more power to parents in education. The first plank is both false and irrelevant. The teachers' union supported Clinton in 1992. In his first term Clinton showed himself to be no great champion of education cutting spending on several key education programs. Giving parents more say could have a positive or negative result, depending on how it is done, and the way Dole has in mind would certainly be a negative one.

In politics often what is said is not as important as what is meant. What Bob Dole is trying to do is to blame teachers for the "failure" of American education, and to drive an educational wedge between teachers and parents. This is pernicious.

First of all American education has not failed. It has its share of problems, but also of successes. Overall, public education, both basic and higher, is one of the major achievements of American civilization. And second, there is no evidence that the problems and failures that have occurred in our educational system need to be put solely on the backs of the teachers. One of the major problems educators face, for instance, comes from dealing with the parents and children of more and more dysfunctional and semi-functional families.

In reality most teachers are dedicated, caring, and professional. Most parents love, are interested in, and are willing to take time with their children. The mi-

nority of poor teachers and poor parents constitute two of the many problems of education. The best way for these and the other problems to be solved is to bring together the positive majorities of good parents and teachers in an environment of cooperation, not to set them up as antagonists.

By choosing to set the public against educators Bob Dole has elected to have a negativist approach to education rather than an educational policy. This enables him to avoid dealing with all the difficult issues that a policy must face. More significantly, it allows him to tap into the deep well of (unjustified) resentment in the country against education and teachers, much of which is fueled by right wing supporters of his (such as Cal Thomas and Rush Limbaugh). If Dole were to be elected and were to act in accord with this approach, the results for American education and America in general would be negative, indeed.

## Discoveries of dead sheep concern columnist



**Dave Barry**

Call me paranoid, but my first reaction, upon learning about the dead sheep being found in treetops in New Zealand, was that something unusual was going on.

I found out about this thanks to alert reader Steven Moe, who sent me an article from The Press of Christchurch, New Zealand, concerning "the discovery of several dead sheep high in the trees of Tunnicliffe Forest."

Right away I said to myself: "Hnm."

I base this statement on the well-known fact that sheep are not tree-dwelling animals. Zoologically, sheep are classified in the same family as cows: Animals That Stand Around And Poop.

On very rare occasions, a single sheep or cow will climb a tree in an effort to escape a fierce natural predator such as a wolf or (around lunchtime) Luciano Pavarotti.

But The Press article states that "four or five decomposing sheep were high in the branches." That is too many sheep to be explained by natural causes.

Which leads us to the obvious explanation; namely, supernatural causes.

I realize that many of you laugh at stories of the paranormal. "Ha ha," you say.

But the truth is that the world is full of strange phenomena that cannot be explained by the laws of logic or science. Dennis Rodman is only one example.

There are many other docu-

mented cases of baffling supernatural occurrences. Consider these examples:

Early in the morning of Oct. 8, 1991, Mrs. Florence A. Snegg of Uvula, Mich., was having an extremely vivid dream in which her son, Russell, was involved in a terrible automobile accident. Suddenly she was awakened by the ringing of her telephone. On the line was a Missouri state trooper, calling long distance to remind Mrs. Snegg that she had never had children.

On the afternoon of March 13, 1993, Winchester B. Fleen of Toad Sphincter, Ark., was abducted by hostile, large-brained beings who drilled holes in his head, probed him with giant needles, pumped chemicals into his body, took samples of his organs and removed most of his bodily fluids before they found out that he did not have health insurance, at which point they released him back into the hospital waiting room.

On July 3, 1994, 7-year-old Jason Toastwanker fell off his tricycle, hit his head and was knocked out. When he regained consciousness, he spoke to his parents IN FLUENT GERMAN. This did not surprise them, because they were Germans and this happened in Germany. What surprised them was that, before the accident, he had cleaned up his room WITHOUT BEING ASKED.

On Feb. 12, Thelma Crumpet-Scone of New York City purchased a Whopper at Burger King; when she started to eat it, she bit her own finger, causing a painful red mark for several minutes. Incredibly, she decided that this was TOTALLY HER FAULT, and she DID NOT SUE ANYBODY.

Impossible, you say? Perhaps so, but all of these incidents, along with hundreds more that have not occurred to me yet, have been thoroughly documented by the Institute for Documenting Things Thoroughly.

The lesson is this: Before you say something is "impossible," you would be wise to remember the old saying: "Truth is stranger than fiction, especially when 'truth' is being defined by the O.J. Simpson defense team."

And thus when you consider the New Zealand tree-sheep article, the question you must ask yourself is: "How

can I, keeping an open mind, best explain what happened?"

The answer is: "Read the rest of the article, you moron."

It turns out that the sheep had fallen from a helicopter. The pilot had been transporting I am not making up this quote some ewes that had died from sleepy sickness," and the wire that was holding the sheep under the helicopter broke.

Incredibly, the pilot had been warned about this the night before in a telephone call from a Missouri state trooper.

No, I made that last part up. But the rest of the story is true, which raises the following alarming questions for those who live in, or plan to visit, New Zealand:

Is it a common practice there to transport deceased sheep via helicopter?

What about Mad Cow Disease?

For the record, tree sheep are not the only bizarre phenomenon to occur lately in New Zealand.

I have here a document, sent in by alert reader Gretl Collins, stating that

a researcher in New Zealand has discovered a new, improved method for growing tomatoes hydroponically. ("Hydroponically" comes from the Greek words "hydro," meaning "a," and "ponically," meaning "way of growing tomatoes.")

According to the document, the researcher has found that he gets excellent results when he grows the tomatoes in: brassieres. I am not making this up.

This leads to still MORE questions, including:

Does this give new meaning to the expression "Get a load of those tomatoes"?

Would it be tasteless to make a joke here about growing zucchini in athletic sup

What about Mad Tomato Disease?

There's probably nothing to worry about, but until we get some answers, I think everybody should panic for a while and then get some sleep. I myself am suddenly feeling VERY sleepy, so I'm just going to put my head down and ...

Moo

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# Out of Context

## Make mine a double espresso to go

by Ian Kaiser  
Haunting this Page

An insidious group has moved into Mansfield over the summer. Well actually they have been here all along, only now they seem to be emerging from the shadows and coming forth with their depraved heads held high. They all have one thing in common... caffeine. They adore it. It comes close to being their golden calf. To quote some possibly famous country music star: "They like it, they love it, they want lots more of it" (Don't ask me why I know that). One must wonder, what is the root of this evil? Who is feeding their addiction? The answer, my friends, is the 10 West Espresso Company.

Now is the time for confession. I too am among those who frequent this establishment. I am proud of my addiction. And now those of us who worship the black god Coffee can actually get good coffee right here in Mansfield. 10 West has become a way of life for me. All summer long, since Jackie and Tony opened their doors back in June, I have been organizing my life around going to 10 West. Allow me to relate one of my many adventures.

I spent most of the summer

building computers at Kingdom Company. This involved a 2 mile ride from my house to work, and I got into the habit of stopping at 10 West enroute to work. Unfortunately, I did not usually have time to finish my caffeinated beverage of choice. Well, no problem there, you say. Just get a paper cup, slap a lid on that sucker, and head to work. Well that's fine and dandy for those of you who are automotively enabled, but I have a bicycle. Try getting a hot cup of coffee to work while riding a mountain bike a mile along Rt. 6 and the Lamb's Creek Road. It's easy unless of course you don't enjoy scalding the flesh on your hands or back (I'll explain that one later...) in which case you might have some troubles. So one of my only challenges this summer, and the only reason my brain didn't totally atrophy while I was away, was the feasibility of bicycular coffee transport.

I briefly toyed with the idea of rigging some sort of cup holder to my handle bars, but I soon realized that this was the easy way out of my predicament, and would take a significant amount of effort either in purchasing or creating some kind of drink holder that I could attach to my bike. So that idea had two strikes against it. I needed something more challenging that took virtually no

effort to put into effect. This is when I came up with the idea of bringing a travel mug, and putting it into my backpack. I hadn't even gotten to the Rt. 6 bridge when I realized that my back was suddenly quite wet and very warm. Apparently travel mugs were not designed for bikes, since the coffee was sloshing right out of that little hole that you drink from. I ended up clutching the mug in one hand, steering with the other and trying in vain not to burn myself. Plus my shirt, bag, and notebook were all innondated with coffee. Luckily, I don't mind the smell. Hey, if they made coffee deoderant, I'd wear it.

So I never did figure out a good way to get coffee to work on my bike. I managed to burn a ride a few times. Once I had a co-worker take my coffee for me. Then I took to getting frozen cappuccino, which is much easier to transport, being cold and viscous. But as you may have gathered, 10 West is a wonderful little coffee shop, something that many of us have been saying Mansfield really needs. So go check it out. It's right across Rt. 6 from the X-Trail. You might think of it as "The Coffee Shop Formerly Known as The Tattoo Parlor," as that is where it is located. Don't let that influence you though. Now there's just coffee, no needles.

## WEIRD AND WONDERFUL WEBSITES

### Evil Bob

<http://www.cpeq.com/~evilbob>



Music vs. money over twin  
crossed #2 pencils.

This site is a cool mixture of shameless promotion, Evil Bob's thoughts and writings, and much linkage. Bob has links to Frank Zappa stuff, Zen sites, dead guys who rule, guitars, MST3K, Amiga (who'da figured), and many more sites. Great graphics too.

# Beginner's guide to Mansfield University

Welcome back Cotter and other freshman, and a friendly hello to all the incoming juniors

by Chris McGann  
editor of the Round Table

Hi. I'm Chris. I will be your editor for this semester.

Would you like fries with that?

Welcome to all of the new students at this fine institution of higher learning, whether you are incoming freshmen or transferred here. If you have been here before, skip the next few paragraphs. It is all about things you already know.

This part of my diatribe will get you new students up to date on current events that were not covered during orientation.

First and foremost on my mind as this summer of semi-content wanes is that monstrosity next to Maple. This The Money Pit Formerly Known As The New Rec Center. Get as much use out of the thing as you possibly can because you will be paying at least \$800 for it before you graduate. That assumes you graduate in four years and don't take summer classes. I will pay \$250 for it and I won't get to use it (even if using a Rec Center consists of sitting in front of it and smoking cigarettes).

This brings me to my second point. If there is a vote on campus, make

it a point to participate. This is one of your few chances to actually have your meager voice heard. There are about 3,000 students at Mansfield University and a successful election occurs if 500 students show up. That is 1/6 of the student body. And do you want to know something else? Too bad, I'm going to tell you (but you don't have to read any further). It is the same people voting all the time. Do you really want to have the same 17 percent of your peers controlling what goes on?

Considering this, I say just get involved somewhere. Don't sit in your room watching TV or chat on the net for 25 hours a day. No matter how much you channel surf, there is still nothing on and your cyber-lover probably looks like Bob Dole in drag. So vote in an SGA election, run for SGA, pledge a fraternity, join MAC or the Flashlight, or get involved with the physics club. It doesn't matter, just do something with yourself. And get your mind out of the gutter.

Oddly enough, there are things to discover ranging from the interesting to the asinine. For example, the library uses a system called MATLOC. This really, really technical sounding name stands for "Mansfield's Alternative To Lots Of Cards."

Be cool, buy an axe.

The best radio station is 95 The Met.

The Arch Deluxe with bacon costs \$2.69 while the Arch without only costs \$2.39.

Finally, don't wait until the last minute on a paper and hope to type it in the rec center lab. Yes, the place is open 24 hours, but the aforementioned chatters may be loath to give up the person of their dreams for such a minor thing as another poor slob's school work.

Welcome back everyone else. Summer here in the Southern Tier was almost as exciting as an old pair of sneakers.

Go look at North Hall even if you have been afraid of the library in the past. It has a whopping FOUR floors. This means that it will be even harder to find the book about mid-sixteenth century Persian headgear from 1948. But it looks impressive for all the bake sales the university needed to hold to raise the money for the project.

Once again, Mansfield has a new coffee shop. Oddly enough, it is located where the tattoo place used to be. Go check this place out. Get an espresso. A shot of caffeine tastes much better than a prairie fire shot. (Trust me).

Can anyone out there draw comic strips? I am going to miss "No-mad."

Actually, does anyone out there want to be an editor? Most of us are leaving in December. Don't like the way things are going here? We are in 217

Memorial and the door is always open. If you don't care, I'll sell you a TV Guide.

Maybe, perhaps, possibly, you have noticed my utter disdain and all around lack of respect for that plastic box known as the television. Maybe I am exaggerating just a little bit. Once in a while you can catch a good infomercial or, even more rarely, an old movie like *Dune*. For those of you who have seen it, or even better read the book, I must be called Muad'Dib before I will let anyone bum a cigarette off me.

Get an apartment near or above a place that delivers. Order a soda and make them deliver it.

Get all of your paper work for financial aid done right the first time. The university will not call you and tell you if there is a problem. They simply let you go to your first class (in Decker most likely) and find that your classes have been dropped. You go to South Hall and wait in line. Half an hour later, you will realize that you were supposed to be in a different, longer line only to find that with a few commands, they will be more than happy to let you run around and add classes, assuming that they are not already full (even though you stood in another line in the spring to register). Does this seem to be happening to a lot of people this year?

To get back up to date with the rest of the happenings on campus, go to page one. Enjoy. And beware of the nefarious Northern Tioga Werechicken.

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# Comics & Fun

Hey there, little chippies...It's just me, Mike, the "Comics and Fun Page" guy...Well, actually, I'm not anymore; That's what this little thingy is about. This page will be quite a bit different this year. A bunch of things are gone ("Argonan", "Current", and my baby, "Nomad") but now we've got the INCREDIBLE "University<sup>2</sup>" by Frank Cho. This strip is just about as funny as the GOP convention...And, so, I hand the reigns over to Josh "The Kurgan" Cusatis...I'm sure he'll do a great job.

" 'Marcie' I said as I boarded a Greyhound for Pittsburgh, 'Mansfield seems like a dream to me now'"  
And a bad one at that.

## FAMOUS PRESIDENTIAL QUOTATIONS



## UNIVERSITY<sup>2</sup>

by Frank Cho



Quote of the Week:

"Beware the Northern Tioga Were-chicken..."





## MU catcher Resetar named Scholar Athlete of Year

special to the Flashlight

Make it a complete sweep for Mike Resetar! The former South Western High School standout has been selected 1996 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Male Scholar Athlete of the Year in voting conducted among the conference sports information directors.

Resetar becomes the first student-athlete in MU history to earn the PSAC's top honor which is awarded to the top student-athlete in the university system.

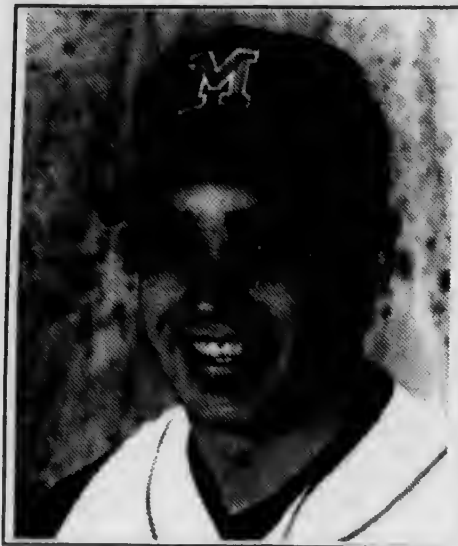
"This is a tremendous honor for Mike and we are very proud of his achievements," said MU President Rod Kelchner. "Mike has been an asset to this university since the first day he stepped on the campus. His efforts in

the classroom and on the field is the example that every university in the country wants to set for its students."

The PSAC is the largest NCAA Division II conference in the country and is comprised of 14 universities throughout the commonwealth.

In May, Resetar earned GTE Academic All-American First Team honors in voting conducted nationally by college sports information directors. Resetar was named to the College Division team which includes schools in NCAA Division II, III, and NAIA.

Resetar had earlier been named to District II Academic All-American honors which comprises schools from Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.



Scholar athlete Mike Resetar

Resetar, a senior co-captain, batted .331 as the starting catcher for MU. In 43 games last season, Resetar had 41 hits in 124 at-bats, including 11

doubles and three home runs. In addition, he has scored 39 times while driving in 30 rbi.

In his four seasons at MU, Resetar appeared in 144 games rapping out 115 hits in 372 at-bats for a .309 career batting average. He had 29 doubles, a triple and 16 home runs along with 92 rbi and 109 runs scored.

In addition, he maintained a 3.90 GPA in mathematics over that span and was a three time PSAC Scholar Athlete and eight time member of the Dean's List while being named to the President's List (4.0) five times.

Resetar has been a member of four PSAC Eastern Division Championship teams, three PSAC crown winners, two North Atlantic Regional Champions and made two trips to the NCAA Division II World Series.

## Disappointing end to Mountie baseball season

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

At the end of last semester, when most of us were packing up our belongings to go home for vacation, the boys of summer were getting ready to battle for the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference title and a berth in the regional tournament.

At Bowman Field in Williamsport, the Mounties had their hands full with Slippery Rock University.

Then sophomore, Tim Watkins, took the hill for Mansfield.

In the first inning, the southpaw gave up a lead-off home run and

struggled to regain his rhythm. The Mounties could muster no production out of their powerhouse offense, and lost the game 11-5.

"We were a young team with little experience," junior pitcher Dan Ebersole said. "We just couldn't get the ball to roll our way."

In the second game of the double-elimination tournament, Mansfield met Shippensburg University, who lost in the first round to Lock Haven University.

As was the case in the first game, Mansfield could not get the offense rolling. Left-handed pitcher Mike Cacciotti didn't get the kind of support he was accustomed to.

The Mounties ending up los-

ing the game 7-4, and with that loss went their chance at another title and regional berth.

That was last years news. This year the Mountaineers hope to rewrite the story with a much different ending.

The team captains, as voted on by their peers, are Ebersole, Watkins, Greg Robertson, Chris Miller, and Dana Harrold.

A handful of games scheduled for the fall include a weekend series with the University of Toronto, and other contests against Cortland, Cornell, LeMoyne and Ithaca.

"We have a lot of guys returning," Ebersole said. "But we also have a lot of new, young guys who will have to step right in and contribute."

### 1996 MU Baseball Fall Schedule

#### SEPTEMBER:

8 LeMoyne  
14 University of Toronto  
15 University of Toronto  
22 at SUNY Cortland  
29 at Ithaca College

#### OCTOBER:

6 Ithaca College  
12 at LeMoyne

## My time to speak...sports views commentary

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

Welcome back everyone to another fun filled sporting semester! We've all witnessed some exciting sporting events over the summer, some more memorable than others.

The Olympics would be the first event that comes to mind. The U.S. successfully went on to kick the world's butt in most sports including the ever popular synchronized swimming! Now there's an interesting topic. I want it first noted before I go on that I am not denoting the fact that these people are very good athletes and could kick my butt any day even without trying, but what kind of sport is synchronized swimming?

How does one get into that sport? How does one even practice for it? Do you have to have a family like the Brady's and practice swimming in exact circles around your turtle pool? What's the deal there? I personally thought it was a joke Saturday Night Live thought up to mock other athletes. My mom wouldn't even believe me when I told her I was watching it one night. But what I really want to know is how the judges don't openly crack I'm sure I probably just pissed off a lot

of people and well-I'm glad! If I did, that means people are actually reading my pages and maybe they will even take the time to write an editorial about their feelings.

The next most memorable sporting moment for me would be the triumphant come back of Mitch "Wild Thing" Williams. Okay maybe it wasn't quite that triumphant, but it left a lasting impression on my life. No doubt his comeback was due to my numerous columns last semester on the state of the Phillies since I did call that Williams and John Kruk would be back some day. (I'm sure the Flashlight is the newspaper of choice of the Phillies). And if anyone has seen the movie "The Fan" they would see the ever impressive newly-turned actor Kruk starring in his first role. Okay, he wasn't actually the star. Okay, he probably was barely mentioned in the closing credits, but he was there!

And the last memorable moment happened just last week. The opening of football season! And, if you haven't guessed already who my favorite team is-I'll tell you. The Eagles were victorious in their opener sporting those funky off-green uniforms. If someone knows what color that is, could you please let me know!!

And, as I said before, if you don't agree with what I'm saying or are sick of hearing me talk about my favorite sports teams-write an editorial or your own column. I would be more than happy to run it as long as it's signed and you include your phone number.

Finally, I would like to end this column by informing the readers of the new and improved changes that are occurring in your favorite sports pages. (That's these!) Joe Wagner will now be my assistant sports editor

and gradually learning all of this fun stuff I do every week. He will become sports editor at the end of this semester after I leave for my internship at Lafayette College.

I would also be interested in knowing how YOU feel about these pages and what you think should and shouldn't be included, especially your views on *Athlete of the Week* and *Meet the Team*. Please send all your comments to 217 Memorial Hall or call me at \*4986. Well, that's all for now. Everyone enjoy their semester!!

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# Heydt named new Mountie swim team coach

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

Although the swim team hasn't had a practice yet, senior captains Amy Dugo and Molly Schonour already know this year's team will definitely be a force to contend with.

Thanks to their new coach Diane Heydt, the team looks forward to some new and unique coaching techniques.

"She'll bring our program to where it should be" said Dugo.

"Coach Heydt will provide the leadership and coaching to bring this year's team success," Schonour said.

Heydt is a nationally recognized coach joining the Mansfield staff.

She comes to Mansfield from St. Cloud State University where she was an instructor and the Huskies' head women's swim coach since 1988, only to later assume responsibility for the men's swim team in 1993.

At St. Cloud Heydt developed twenty-four All Americans and seven of her swimmers were named Academic All-Americans.

In 1992, Heydt was named the North Central Conference Coach of the Year.

Heydt attended Western Illinois University where she received a B.S. in physical education and a M.S. in athletic administration.

As an undergraduate at Western Illinois University, Heydt held the school record in the 200 Individual Med-



Diane Heydt recently named Head Women's swim coach at Mansfield.

ley, 50 Meter Breaststroke, 100 Meter Breaststroke, 200 Meter Breaststroke, 200 Medley Relay, and 400 Medley

Relay.

Heydt also served as an assistant coach at Western Illinois from 1985-1987 before accepting the position as head men's and women's swim coach at Keene State University for the 1987-88 season.

"I grew up in the area, so it's home for me. I just want the team to become better," Heydt said about coming to Mansfield.

Heydt developed St. Cloud into a program that has finished in the top 16 in the NCAA Division II Swimming and Diving Championship over the past five seasons.

The Mounties first swim meet of the season is on November 14 against Lock Haven University starting at 6:00 pm.

## MU football looks for first win against Cortland

by Patrick Manwiller  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team opens its eleven game season this Saturday at home against SUNY-Cortland.

"We are a much improved team from last year," Head Coach Joe Viadella said. "We are older, stronger and more seasoned."

Despite fielding only 15 returning upperclassmen, the Mountaineers have a total ten returning players who have all seen action at some point on the offense.

Seven players are returning to the defensive squad. Compared to Cortland's one starting freshman, the Mountaineers are starting nine true freshman.

Viadella, in his second year as head coach for the Mountaineers, said that this meeting could very well set the scene for the rest of the season.

Out of all the games this year, Viadella considers Cortland to be the turning point.

Despite being young and inex-

perienced, Viadella feels that this team will be much improved from last year.

Last year the Mountie's finished their season a disappointing 1-9 with their only win coming at home against Cheyney.

According to Viadella, the team will be more confident, and more experienced with the return of last years injured players.

Some of the key players returning for the Mountaineers are seniors Joe Scriba, nose guard; co-captain Joe Povenski, tight-end; and Joel Kargbo defensive end.

According to wide receiver/place kicker Scott Fedorowicz, all of the hard, demanding practices have been worth it so far.

Fedorowicz, a sophomore, also said he believes all of the coaches are doing a real good job both on and off the field.

"The team is tighter off the field than last year," said sophomore Pat Ginther, starting nose guard. "We are a lot more confident compared to last year."

Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. at Karl Van Norman field.

### 1996 Mountie Football Schedule

#### SEPTEMBER:

7 SUNY Cortland  
14 at Southern Connecticut State  
21 at Ithaca College  
28 at Lock Haven

#### OCTOBER:

5 Millersville  
12 at Bloomsburg  
19 Kutztown  
26 at West Chester University

#### NOVEMBER:

2 East Stroudsburg University  
9 at Cheyney University  
16 Clarion University

## X-Country teams opens Saturday at Brockport

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Cross-Country team opens their season this Saturday at the SUNY-Brockport

Invitational.

"We have two very different teams this season," Head Coach Jim Taylor said. "They are both working very hard."

This Saturday's meet is a four-way meet featuring teams from Brockport, Mansfield, University of Rochester and Houghton.

Last year Mansfield finished fourth at this Invitational.

According to Taylor, the women's team is all new except for co-captain Kolleen Bogutskie (Colleen Ryder is the other women's team co-captain).

This Saturday will not feature a full women's team due to problems with clearing, said Taylor.

Currently the women's team only has seven members on their squad compared to the men's total 11 team members.

"The men should be very competitive and have a real good season," Taylor said.

But team member numbers are down this season compared to numbers in other years.

"We need numbers," Taylor said. "It's a lot of work, but it's worth it."



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# United States forces strike Iraqi bases for second time

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraqi gunners shot anti-aircraft fire over the skies of Baghdad this evening, hours after a U.S. warplane knocked out an mobile Iraqi radar station that had locked its beam onto the F-16 fighter jet.

Detonations were heard throughout the capital but air-raid sirens did not sound. There was no indication that the gunners hit any targets or that Baghdad was under attack, lending credence to the sense that Iraqi forces were on edge after two days of U.S. assaults.

In Washington, a senior Pentagon official said there have been no American or allied attacks or other military operations in the Baghdad area that would explain the anti-aircraft firing. The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

Within five minutes, the gunners around Baghdad fell silent, and traffic filled downtown streets.

Underlining Saddam Hussein's defiance of an expanded no-fly zone, an Iraqi air defense battery beamed its radar at an American warplane earlier today. The F-16 jet fighter retaliated with missile fire.

The U.S. planes had just started patrolling the zone south of Baghdad after two days of American missile attacks on Iraq's air-defense system.

President Clinton, in his first public assessment of the American attacks on Iraq's air defense system, called the operation a success and said Saddam

was now "strategically worse off."

In Washington, a Clinton administration official reported a missile had knocked out the mobile Iraqi station after the F-16 determined radar was tracking it and preparing to fire a surface-to-air-missile.

Iraqi radar "illuminated one of our planes, and we fired a HARM missile at that radar. The radar stopped illuminating after we fired the HARM," U.S. Defense Secretary William Perry said.

Perry said the radar was one of two Iraqi "challenges" today to U.S. planes patrolling the no-fly zone — the other being two Iraq aircraft that headed toward the zone but veered off before an encounter.

The location of the F-16 air strike was not immediately known but was believed to be between the 32nd and 33rd parallels south of Baghdad, in the newly expanded no-fly zone. There were two air bases and a training facility in that region.

Earlier today, air raid sirens sounded at 5:30 a.m. in Baghdad and wailed for two hours as the United States launched a "mop-up" attack, firing 17 cruise missiles at air-defense targets in southern Iraq. The missiles were launched from U.S. warships and a submarine in the Persian Gulf.

Twenty-seven cruise missiles were fired Monday following stern warnings from the Clinton administration in response to the Iraqi assault against Kurdish rebels in Irbil, the largest city

in the northern Iraq's U.S.-protected Kurdish enclave.

Despite his earlier bravado, Saddam had apparently mounted little defense to the U.S. attacks until today's radar "lock-on." But American officials said Iraqi troops remained uncomfortably near Irbil today.

Iraq says the U.S. missile attacks have killed six people, five early Tuesday and one this morning. Saddam's military forces reported 26 people wounded in the two attacks, but there was no independent confirmation.

"The vengeful aggressors have mounted a second attack," Iraq's armed forces said in a statement, claiming that Iraqi defenses shot down several missiles but some "struck military positions and population centers."

American, British and French pilots were taking part in the allied air patrols over the no-fly zone in southern Iraq, which began today at noon (5 a.m. EDT), said Air Force Gen. Joseph Ralston.

The newly expanded zone now takes the air patrols north to within 30 miles of Baghdad.

Clinton declared Tuesday that the southern no-fly zone would be moved from the 32nd to the 33rd parallel.

With a similar zone in north, Saddam is not allowed to fly his warplanes over roughly half of Iraq.

While the British supported the American missile attacks, France, with

has lucrative business ties with the Iraqis, had supported more negotiations with Saddam.

U.S. officials reported some movement today of Iraqi troops in the north, but Ralston, the vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the movement wasn't enough to satisfy the Americans of an improved situation in the north.

Government-inspired rallies against the American air patrols, meanwhile, were reported in two locations, one in the south and the other in Babil, 30 miles from Baghdad.

Saddam, in a national television address Tuesday, ridiculed the no-fly zones and ordered his troops to ignore them. The zones were created after the 1991 Persian Gulf War to protect Kurds in the north and Shiite Muslims in the south from the wrath of Saddam's military.

The official Iraqi News Agency said Saddam summoned his air defense commanders to a meeting today.

Clinton ordered the strikes in response to Saddam's weekend assault on Kurdish rebels in Irbil. Some 45,000 Iraqi soldiers and 300 tanks captured the main city in the U.S.-declared Kurdish safe haven in northern Iraq before withdrawing this week.

U.S. officials said Tuesday's attack hit surface-to-air missile sites and radar installations near the Tallil air base in southwestern Iraq, the Euphrates River city of Nasiriyah, al-Iskandariyah and al-Kut.

## Possible checkmate in store for Saddam Hussein and Iraqi forces

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the deadly Persian Gulf chess game, it's Saddam Hussein's move. A tactical retreat buys him time. Defiance forces President Clinton to choose from options riskier than firing missiles at Iraq from a safe distance.

"This episode isn't really over," said James A. Baker III, who was secretary of state during the Persian Gulf War. "We're going to have to do other things, and are we going to have the coalition with us?"

When Saddam probes, he tests not only U.S. resolve, but the endurance of the coalition of nations that defeated him in 1991.

That broad international coalition formed after Iraq occupied Kuwait is showing signs of wear. Although they fought alongside the United States to force Iraq out of Kuwait, Egypt and Syria criticized Tuesday's U.S. missile strike on military facilities in southern

Iraq.

France, a U.S. partner with Britain in the coalition that enforces the "no-fly" zones for Saddam's air force over northern and southern Iraq, refused to back the U.S. action. Nor did Russia.

"I think it's very clear to us here in Washington this morning that the international coalition against Saddam Hussein is intact," insisted Nicholas Burns, State Department spokesman. He suggested that some of the critics were privately pleased by the strike against Iraq.

That theory could well be tested in the coming days and weeks. Secretary of State Warren Christopher leaves today on a previously scheduled trip to Europe that includes stops in Britain, France and Germany. Iraq is certain to be discussed.

Despite the bombing, no one expects Saddam to throw up his hands and give in to demands that he and his

rebel forces stop threatening his neighbors and persecuting Iraqi Kurds. In the past, when Saddam has pulled back, it was only to fight or probe another day.

In a speech from the Oval Office, Clinton said Saddam's army remained in the Kurdish city of Irbil, despite claims it was withdrawing. Defense Secretary William Perry said Iraqi forces were moving toward two other Kurdish towns.

Saddam also declared his forces would no longer observe the coalition-imposed no-fly zones.

If Iraqi forces don't halt their aggression against the Kurds and if his anti-aircraft batteries fire on planes enforcing the no-fly zones, what's the response from the United States? And will other nations support it?

Clinton has no shortage of advice. "If he doesn't move those tanks from north of the 36th (parallel) we ought to

give some consideration to taking out some of those tanks with smart bombs, laser-guided munitions," Baker said. "But, of course, you do put some pilots at risk when you do that. We are in the midst of an election campaign."

Sen. Dick Lugar, R-Ind., a senior member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, advocated an intensive air campaign against Iraq.

"We have an ample opportunity, while we are at it, to seek out the elements of Saddam's military power and to destroy as many of them through air strikes as we can, and we ought to do so systematically and comprehensively," Lugar said.

Richard Haass, a Middle East expert on the National Security Council in the Bush White House and now director of foreign policy studies at the Brookings Institution, warned that the situation in northern Iraq was complicated.

## CALENDAR

### Friday, September 6

Fall Fest (organizational fair, mini-concert, Manser Dining will serve the meal outdoors that evening)  
8 am Ian leaves for Canada

### Saturday, September 7

1 pm Football at home with Cortland.  
Cross country away at Brockport Invitational.

### Sunday, September 8

1 pm baseball at home vs. Lemoyne.

### Monday, September 9

4 pm Field hockey at home vs. Elmira College.  
5 pm Flashlight meeting 217 Memorial Hall.

### Tuesday, September 10

1 pm New Student Seminar in Allen Lecture Hall.  
1 pm Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK Center.  
10 pm *The Show on the 22nd Floor in WHITE*

### Wednesday, September 11

4 pm Entry deadline for Men's

Recreational Softball in G10 Decker.  
5 pm Entry deadline for Coed, Men's, Women's Recreational Soccer in G10 Decker.  
7 pm Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra auditions in Steadman Theatre.  
7-11 pm Pool tournament in Memorial Hall.  
9 pm Coffeehouse in the Hut sponsored by MAC.

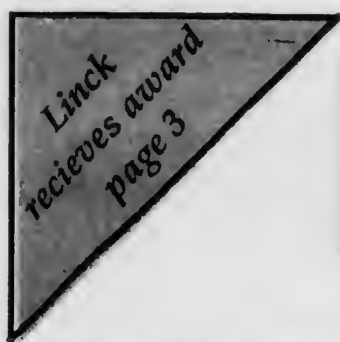
### Thursday, September 12

12:30 pm Elementary and Secondary Education Student Teachers meeting in

Allen Lecture Hall.

1 pm International Discussion Hour in MLK Center.  
4 pm Entry deadline for Men's Recreational Flag Football in G10 Decker.  
5 pm Entry deadline for Coed, Men's, Women's Recreational Tennis in G10 Decker.  
5 pm Layout of the Flashlight begins, lasts long into the night, and is responsible for all editors falling asleep in Fridays classes. Allow us to apologize in advance





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## Mansfield student killed in auto accident on Route 6

by Darren A. Meehan  
wire editor

A Mansfield University student was killed and a Wellsboro resident was injured last month after a head on auto collision on U.S. Route 6 between Mansfield and Wellsboro, State Police in Mansfield said.

Eric Franks of RR 1 Box 289, Mansfield, was killed August 2 when his pick-up truck collided with a North Penn Gas truck driven by Clarence Mann of RD 3, Wellsboro. Franks' truck crashed into Mann's truck at 3:45 P.M. when Franks, who was traveling east, swerved into the opposite lane of traffic.

Franks was pronounced dead at 6:50 P.M. at Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, Pa.

Mann was also taken to Robert Packer with extensive hip injuries and

was hospitalized and released, state police said.

Franks was to be a junior at Mansfield University this semester and was engaged to Mansfield student Jennifer Lemasters, MU junior and daughter of Michael Lemasters vice president of student affairs.

Both Jennifer Lemasters and her family have dealt with the death the best they can.

"I just try to keep really, really busy," Jennifer Lemasters said. "It has been hard to come back but everyone has been very good to me."

Jennifer Lemasters and Franks had been engaged since October of '95 and Franks had grown close with the Lemasters family.

"In the relatively short time we knew him, he had become like another member of the family," said Karen Lemasters, mother of Jennifer

Lemasters.

On campus, students who also knew Franks recall a unique individual.

Myron Eastman, 21, lived with Franks for two years in Maple and shared classes with him in their Math/Physics studies.

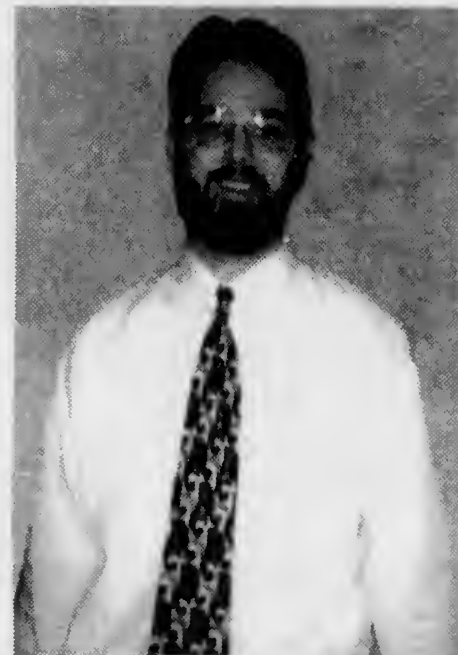
"He definitely had an air about him that was really likeable," Eastman said. "It has been really tough, but life goes on."

Franks was an education major and was expected to graduate in 1997.

"The two of them (Franks and Jennifer Lemasters) were taking classes in the summer and working hard," Mr. Lemasters said. "They were looking to get out early."

A funeral service for Franks was held at Tussey-Mosher Funeral Home and he was buried in Montrose, where he spent his formative years.

Franks is survived by his



Eric Franks.

Photo provided

mother, Karen Franks whom he lived with. Eric Franks' father was killed in an automobile accident six years ago.

## MU receives new student trustee and vice president

by Chris McGann  
editor

Mansfield University has a new student trustee as well as a new vice president who will supervise fund raising.

Steve Winnie, a sophomore political science major, from Lanesboro, PA, was selected by the Chancellor's Office to serve as the student trustee for the 1996-1997 school year.

"He seems to be a very responsible young man," Vice President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco said. "I

think he will do very well."

According to Maresco, Winnie has been involved in the Student Government Association. He is currently on the executive board of SGA and several committees. Winnie is also on the forensics team and honors program.

According to Kelchner, the student trustee has all of the rights and responsibilities of any other trustees. He said that he prefers to call the student trustee a trustee who happens to be a student.

"They (the Council of Trustees) are going to expect him to be a trustee," Kelchner said.

The Trustees' responsibilities include approving all new academic programs, the budget, admissions policies, construction projects, the fee schedule, admissions policies, and evaluating the president.

The student trustee has full voting rights on all issues.

Winnie was selected from a group of eight candidates. The pool was narrowed down to three candidates after interviews on campus in April. On Tuesday, the Chancellor's Office sent its decision to Kelchner.

Winnie could not be reached for comment.

On Monday, September 16, MU will have a new vice president.

Leslie Folmer has been named vice president for development. According to Kelchner, this position has just been created. Folmer will oversee the fund raising aspects of the university.

"Basically, I wanted a fund raiser," Kelchner said.

Folmer will be in charge of overseeing the alumni affairs office, the Mansfield Foundation (the fund raising arm of the university), the public relations office, and grants and contracts.

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## Storytelling Festival returns

by Ian Kaiser  
features editor

In Mansfield, one of the surest signs that autumn is on the way is the arrival of the Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival.

This year marks the 16th anniversary of the NASF, the oldest storytelling festival held at a university, according to Mansfield's NASF web page. Five top-notch performers from across the United States and Canada will be performing at MU this weekend, said Dr. A. Vernon Lapps, communications professor and director of the festival.

Lapps stressed the small size of the festival and the quality of the performers as the strongest points of the NASF. Lapps compared it favorably to the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesboro, Tenn.

"A lot of people prefer us over Jonesboro. Here you see everything,"

Lapps said. "We bring in only the top level storytellers."

The featured performers this year are Charlotte Blake Alston, Brenda Wong Aoki, Bob Barton, Bill Harley, and Gayle Ross. All but Harley are newcomers to the NASF, according to Lapps.

Charlotte Blake Alston, from Philadelphia, Pa., is a singer and songwriter as well as being a storyteller.

Formerly a classroom teacher, Alston now spends most of her time performing. She was also the first storyteller ever to perform with the Philadelphia Orchestra, according to Lapps.

"She has a great sense of humor," Lapps said. He also commented on the diversity of her program, combining rap and blues songs for children with African and African American tales.

After seeing her at Jonesboro and hearing about her from people in Philadelphia, Lapps decided to work her into the

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photo provided  
Bill Harley is one of the storytellers this weekend.

## Fall enrollment up this year

by Stephanie R. DeNicola  
staff reporter

On August 26, Mansfield University began its fall semester with the highest new student enrollment of the past few years, according to Brian Barden, the Interim Director of Admissions.

According to Barden, this year's enrollment contains 838 new students and transfers, up from last year's which held 813.

Barden's duties include admitting students, recruiting possible students, and evaluating credits for transfer students. Barden and the rest of the admissions staff travel throughout the northeast area introducing students to MU.

"In previous years, we have mainly recruited students from throughout Pennsylvania, upstate New York, and northern New Jersey," Barden said. "Now we are expanding to introduce MU to people in southern New Jersey, New York City, and several New England states."

In conjunction with Rachel

Larned, also of admissions, Barden helps to organize campus tours.

"The amount of people attending the tours from this past spring were significantly higher than they have been before," says Larned.

Bridgette Maney, a public relations sophomore, was a tour guide in both the fall and spring of last year.

"In the fall, I had three families in my tour group. In spring, there were more students than in the fall so I had five families," Maney said. "It was fun to introduce them to MU and show them the campus."

Barden plans on featuring the newly renovated North Hall and Recreation Center in his future tours. By doing this, he hopes to attract even more students to MU's campus.

Brandi Duso, a freshman music education major, attended one of the visitation days last spring semester.

"The tour group I was in had four other students with their families beside myself. It was okay because I still had all of my questions answered by my tour guide," Duso said. "The tour

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## Campus Voices

by Katie Long

Q. "Do you plan on taking advantage of the free student web sites? Why or why not?"



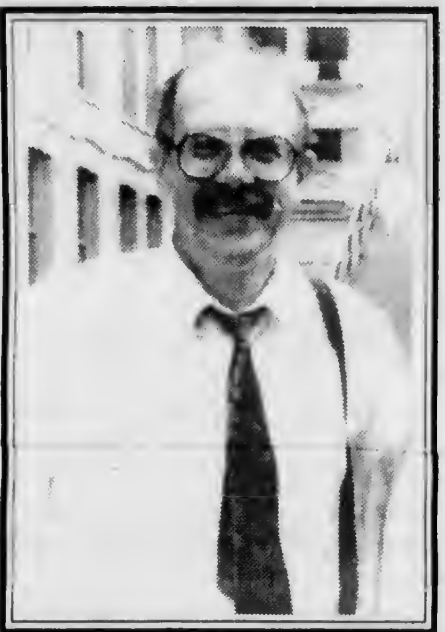
**Bobbi Hollenback**  
sophomore

"No, I didn't know our computer system had them."



**Rich Moyer**  
freshman

"No. I'm computer illiterate."



**Alexander Kubyskin**  
history and political science

"No, not yet, I am a Russian exchange professor. I am still looking around."

*editor's note: Student voices has been changed to campus voices so that we can include the views of faculty as well.*



**Travis Joy**  
Junior

"Yes, Since I am a computer science major, I plan on using the campus web pages because I already have a web page designed as an assignment for one of my computer classes."

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program as quickly as possible.

Brenda Wong Aoki, a Chinese-Japanese American who grew up in the inner city ghetto of San Francisco, tells both folk stories derived from her Asian-Pacific heritage and very powerful autobiographical tales of her life in the inner city. Her urban guerilla street stories are especially moving, according to Lapps.

"You think 'My God, how did she make it?'" Lapps said. "To hear (these stories) from an (Asian) person is very powerful. You don't think of there being an (Asian) ghetto."

In addition to her performances in the feature shows on Friday and Saturday night, Aoki will present her theater piece "Random Acts of Kindness." This show has some very adult themes, dealing with inner-city life, abortion, and many other issues confronting society today. Lapps feels that this is an important show for college students to attend, as it touches upon issues that everyone needs to know about.

Bob Barton, from Toronto, Ontario, is an accomplished storyteller of 25 years. According to Lapps he has also published several books on storytelling. America's best known storyteller, Jackie Torrence, counts Bob Barton as one of her favorite tellers.

"He's the Dean of Canadian Storytelling," Lapps said.

Dr. Larry Biddison, director of Canadian studies, asked for a storyteller to be brought in from Canada, Lapps said. Lapps immediately decided to bring in Barton.

"He's probably one of the most polished storytellers I have ever seen," said Lapps. "He really brings the stories to life."

Bill Harley, from Seekonk, Mass., is returning to Mansfield for his third NASF appearance, said Lapps. If there was a headliner of this year's performance, it would be Harley. His style is nutty and fun, and TV guide describes him as "humorous, canny, and supremely tuneful." He is a regular contributor to National Public Radio, and sings and writes mostly children's music. His stories are equally fun for children and adults, said Lapps.

"When you see him perform, he turns you into a kid," Lapps said.

Gayle Ross, from Fredricksburg, Texas, is of predominantly Cherokee heritage. She is a direct descendant of John Ross, who was a Cherokee chief during the "Trail of Tears." Lapps feels that this gives a power to the stories she tells from her Native American heritage. She has been telling stories for fifteen years, and worked for several years as a duo with former NASF performer, Elizabeth Ellis,

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Folmer is leaving Shippensburg University where she was director of development. She graduated from Shippensburg in 1982 and holds a master's degree in public administration from American University.

"I feel that this is a promotion for me," Folmer said. "I am looking forward to the challenges of fund raising."

### from ENROLLMENT

really helped me decide to come to MU."

According to Larned, in order to facilitate the growing number of students interested in MU, there are going to be more visitation days than usual. For this semester the visitation dates are: October 14, November 8, and December 6. Next semester they are January

Lapps said.

Renowned folksinger Tom Chapin said of Ross "She will weave a spell and take you away. I could listen to Gayle all night." She is a master storyteller, and can provoke laughter from the audience one minute and tears the next. She has a very strong relationship with her heritage, Lapps said.

There is a obviously a great blend of heritages represented this year. This amazing blend of ethnic backgrounds was not planned, Lapps said.

"It just happened that way," Lapps said.

The festival is structured to showcase a variety of different performers every year. They try not to have anyone back too many years in a row, and to keep bringing new talent into the NASF, Lapps said. Apparently there is no shortage of available talent.

"There are 100 or more storytellers that are really good I'd like to hire right now," Lapps said.

The storytellers themselves were very excited about the great variety of heritages represented in this year's NASF.

"So many cultures are represented. This is a really nice lineup," Gayle Ross said "We have very clear voices from different cultures."

"It goes beyond storytelling, it is an opportunity to share our commonalities," Charlotte Blake Alston said "If you are human, come."

The shows are diverse, including Aoki's "Random Acts of Kindness," Friday night ghost stories, and a free performance of sacred tales on Sunday morning. Lapps feels that the this is a show that should not be missed, and discourages people from thinking that it will be religious.

"Sacred means a lot of things," Lapps said.

The NASF will be held Friday the 13th through Sunday the 15th in Straughn Auditorium.

### Storytelling Festival Program

Friday  
7:30 pm Feature Show (All five storytellers)  
10:30 pm Ghost Story Show (All five storytellers)  
Saturday  
9:00 am Masterclass with Bill Harley  
11:00 am Masterclass with Gayle Ross  
1:00 pm Children's Show (Charlotte Blake Alston, Bill Harley)  
2:30 pm "Random Acts of Kindness" (Brenda Wong Aoki)  
4:00 pm Special Presentation (Gayle Ross, Bob Barton)  
8:00 pm Feature Show (All five storytellers)  
Sunday  
8:00 am Sacred Telling (All five storytellers)

ward to the challenges of fund raising.

Mansfield did a nation wide search for the new vice president. The University interviewed eight people and ultimately selected Folmer.

"She came highly recommended," Kelchner said. "She also knows something about the system (SSHE) so she is not coming in cold."

20, February 17, March 24, and April 25. All tours will be held between 10am and noon.

According to Larned, students are always needed to help give campus tours on visitation days. Students interested in helping with campus tours should contact the Admissions office in Beecher House.



## Assistant provost receives international award

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

Sandra Linck, Mansfield University's associate provost, will be spending the next several weeks in Bombay India with retired faculty member Janis Kennedy where she will receive the International Indihri Gandhi award.

She will be receiving the award for her work this past summer when she was responsible for getting Professor Rashmi Mayur to speak at the Mansfield University/United Nations project entitled "Globalization Conference." The first conference was held in the newly renovated North Hall. The Flashlight learned from the conference's organizers that the discussion ran from Manday, July 8 to Thursday, July 11.

The purpose of the assembly was to raise interest in world affairs. Topics included Earth Day, the United Nations, education, and the environment. Discussion groups and World renowned

speakers were also high points of the affair. Several UN directors and Mansfield's Professor Al Dalmolen spoke.

"I enjoyed it, and I was surprised by how much I didn't know," declared Vice President of Administration and Finance Bill Yost. "The world is getting smaller and smaller. It is interesting to see how it all interrelates. It was a chance for Mansfield to step out into the world."

According to Yost, a friend of Linck's, "Rashmi Mayur asked her to put in an application for the award." She competed against some 80 applicants.

She will be receiving the award "In recognition [for] bringing Rashmi here." The international award will be presented to her at a "conference of world people," said Yost. "She will speak to over 7,000 people and heads of state."

Sandra Linck first joined Mansfield in the Home Economics department; however, since 1986, she has been serving as associate provost.



Photo provided

MU associate provost Sandra Linck, received the International Gandhi award for getting Professor Rashmi Mayur to speak at the MU/United Nations project, "Globalization Conference."

## North Hall three day celebration set to kick off Tuesday



Photo provided

(left to right): Mansfield University students James Keyes, Stefanie Behe and Kimberly Kreitz have adopted 1890's clothing to give tours of North Hall during the building's grand opening Sept. 17-19.

by Gene Yager  
news editor

On Tuesday, September 17th Mansfield University will celebrate the grand opening of North Hall, Mansfield's completely refurbished and state of the art library.

According to a story in the April 1st, '94 edition of the *Flashlight*, the Save North Hall Committee had worked since Fall of '94 to make sure that the renovations would happen.

According to the same *Flashlight* story, renovation on North Hall began in August of '94, after being closed for thirteen years.

The three day celebration will include a variety of activities for students, faculty, and citizens of Mansfield to attend, said Dr. Stephen Bickham, North Hall Grand Opening Committee Chair.

"This celebration is open to the whole world- the world is invited," Bickham said.

The celebration will feature activities such as games, contests, poetry readings, live music, and storytelling all of which are free and open to the public, Bickham said. Another highlight of the grand opening will be the first all university dance.

"It will be the universities first dance in recorded history" Bickham said.

There will also be people in the library dressed in 1890's outfits who will help anyone who needs direction to the many activities.

"The grand opening of North

Hall was achieved by the MU community" Bickham said. "That means that faculty and students and alumni and maintenance workers are all invited to attend. They all played a role in saving North Hall and made it such a wonderful place."

Rod Kelchner, President of Mansfield University, also believes that it is important for students as well as organizations to participate in the events.

"The grand opening will be a chance for students to participate in a historical event" Kelchner said. "It will also be a way for student organizations to do something for the school."

Included in the celebration will be a special North Hall museum on the sixth floor which will feature North Hall memorabilia as well as a re-creation of a typical North Hall woman's dormitory, Bickham said. Included will be a video tape of alumni telling stories of living in North Hall.

Convocation, which was delayed this semester to coincide with the grand opening, will be held on Tuesday at 12:30 P.M. in Steadman Theatre. The speaker of the convocation will be professor Alexandre Kubyskin, a Fulbright scholar from Russia.

"Being granted the opportunity to have a Fulbright scholar gains significant respect for the university on behalf of the Fulbright committee" Kelchner said.

According to Kelchner, the Fulbright committee pays the way for scholars to go to foreign countries and study.

## Independant studies program revised

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

The independant studies program will be undergoing a revision of priorities this semester due to a decision made by Provost Joseph Moore.

According to Moore, independant studies will not be available to everyone who applies for the project. Only students who are expecting to graduate and need a certain number of credits or who have missed a required course will be permitted to take part in the independant studies program.

The primary purpose of the revision is to make independant studies consistant with the parameters given in the course catalogue. Moore said that it is unlikely that students who don't need independent study will receive it.

"Students need justification in order to get approved for independant studies," Moore said. "Those students who need independant studies will get approved, but other applications have been held up."

According to Moore, the independant studies program requires money that the university does not have and a large amount of faculty time.

"Independant studies is a ma-

jor expense and the money just isn't there because it isn't allotted in our regular budget," Moore said.

According to MU President Rod Kelchner, Mansfield gets its money through an ENG budget which is general operating money. He also said that budget doesn't permit the university to offer independant studies.

This decision was not an easy one for the administration to make.

"We [the administration] sometimes have to make hard decisions that can be controversial, and sometimes, these decisions are not in the university's best interest," Kelchner said.

Kelchner urged all students who apply for independant study to have an alternative plan to get the credits they need.

"Students should try to reach their goals in other ways such as internships, summer school and getting to their advisors. Independant study should be the last alternative," Kelchner said.

Moore stated that other universities have been following these rules for quite some time.

"I would imagine that most universities reserve independant study students that need the credits to graduate and advanced students who want to do advanced work," Moore said.

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Pictured above are Alexandre Kubyshkin and Dr. Elena Pelikh, Russian professors who will be teaching political science and linguistics, respectively. Kubyshkin is the first Fulbright scholar ever to come to Mansfield University.

## "Year of Russia" kicks off at Mansfield University

by Krissy Dennis  
staff reporter

This year Mansfield University will recognize its long standing academic connection with Russia through several cultural programs and events, all part of what the university is calling "The Year of Russia."

The series of events will mark Mansfield's fifth year as a participant in a student exchange program with Volgograd University, according to Bernard Koloski, co-chairman of the Year of Russia committee. The program places American students and professors at Volgograd University in Russia, and in turn hosts professors and students from Volgograd University.

Those participating in the planning committee for "The Year of Russia" are excited about having a chance to show their appreciation of the exchange program.

"We're overdue with the Year of Russia," said Christy Fry, member of The Year of Russia Committee and a MU student who participated in the exchange last fall. "I feel honored that I have the chance to reciprocate the hospitality that the Russians showed me while I was in Russia."

MU has sent Dr. Philip Savoye of the math department along with a group of students to Volgograd University for the semester.

In return, Mansfield got two professors and five students. The profes-

sors are Alexandre Kubyshkin who will teach political science and philosophy courses and Dr. Elena Pelikh who will be teaching a linguistics course.

This year will also mark the first year that Mansfield has had a professor who is a Fulbright scholar. Having Fulbright Scholar Professor Kubyshkin at the university is an honor because of the fact that Fulbright scholars often teach at more prestigious universities, Koloski said.

"We've never had a Fulbright scholar in-residence here," Koloski wrote in a press release. "Most scholars from other countries prefer to work at the Harvard's and Stanford's of America."

Kubyshkin will also be the main speaker at this year's convocation to be held on Tuesday at 12:30 P.M. in Steadman Theatre and will be team teaching classes in the political science and philosophy department in the spring, Koloski said.

Already planned for the year are monthly showings of Russian films to be held on the second Sunday of each month. They will be free and open to the public. Also, Russia will be the focus of next semester's Global Issues Week, Koloski said.

Currently "The Year of Russia" committee has only planned a few events for the year and is still looking for people to help in the planning, Koloski said. Anyone interested can call Koloski or Dr. Larry Uffleman of the English department for more information.

## Student government meeting focuses on freshman elections

by Karen Dunlap  
staff reporter

The primary focus of Monday's Student Government Association meeting was the upcoming Freshman senate elections.

According to Mark Smith, President of SGA, there are currently 19 senators. Through elections, eight more will be added to the roster. Smith and other senators stressed that freshman elections are not just limited to incoming freshman; transfer and readmitted students are also eligible to apply for the positions.

Applications must be turned in to Maresco by September 13th. The voting process for the new senators will take place September 18-19 in Lower Manser.

The Committee of Finance voted in Joel Pepper as a new member. According to Smith, Michele Hosey is a new member who was chosen at the first meeting. She was voted in because of her prior SGA involvement and experience.

SGA then listened to represen-

tatives from The Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

"We are trying to get recognition from SGA about our constitution," said Steve Calabro.

Calabro, the spokesperson for FCA, proposed to change the name of the organization to "The Fellowship." Smith tabled the proposal and set a vote on it for next week.

SGA is already making plans for Environmental Awareness Week. Any suggestions for the week or for Earth Day are welcome.

On September 26, the Faculty Senate and University Senate will hold a private reception in North Dinning Hall.

The SGA Planning retreat will be held at Hills Creek on September 29. The University Senate, including recently elected senators and Cabinet members, will be present.

According to Maresco, SGA advisor, the purpose of the meeting at Hills Creek is for student senators to become better acquainted, and the student senators and faculty to bond.

## Police Beat

09/06/96

09:30 Possible missing female. Last seen on Friday, Aug. 30. Individual left campus on own with friends. Did contact her mother all OK.

20:10 Complaint. Vehicle was parked on Hemlock rear drive. A garbage truck accessing the drive to pick up a dumpster at Pinecrest backed into vehicle causing minor damage to the front passenger portion of the vehicle.

21:57 Fire alarm in Cedarcrest residence hall. Alarm activated by cigarette smoke.

22:30 Complaint. Student reported noise on Clinton Street. Investigation of the area revealed students yelling at each other.

22:45 Report of alcohol in Cedarcrest residence hall. Alcohol confiscated. Subject referred to campus judicial as he is 21.

22:50 Report of alcohol in Cedarcrest residence hall. Handled by

Residence Life. Underage.

09/08/96

01:05 Assisted Mansfield Police Department with an assault victim. Subject transported to Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital by department. Conducting investigation.

11:30 Lost or stolen vehicle decal. Last seen on vehicle at 09/05/96.

09/09/96

09:10 Complaint. Received "wierd" phone call from unknown person. Message garbled with lots of background noise. Advised to monitor calls.

09/10/96

04:35 Broken glass panels in the southeast door of lower Manser. Subject(s) unknown.

11:40 Minor motor vehicle accident. Non-reportable. Occured in front of rec. center.

## Mansfield University English professors get articles published

by Kari Reagan  
staff reporter

Mansfield students will have the opportunity to read the work of two of their professors in national publications.

In April 1996, Dr. Lynn Pifer, an MU English professor of six years, had her article "It Was Like the Book Says, But it Wasn't: Oral Folk History in Laurence's *The Divine*" published in the collection *New Perspectives on Margaret Laurence: Poetic Narrative, Multiculturalism, and Feminism* edited by Greta M. K. McCormick Coger.

Pifer wrote the article when she was a graduate student. She originally gave it as a speech at a conference on Margaret Laurence in Brandon,

Manitoba. This was Pifer's first major conference she attended as a graduate student. After the conference, Coger asked Pifer to submit her article to be published.

"I am happy that it got published. This was something that the editor and I worked on so hard and it's a relief that it got published. Publishing is something scholars are supposed to do. It's part of my job," Pifer said.

Dr. Judith Sornberger, also an English professor at MU for six years, also had many works published.

In early 1997 a Beacon Press anthology on spirituality will include eight poems by Sornberger. She will also have three poems published in *"Calyx"*, a feminist literary publication. "The Goddess Teaches Me the Prayers of Animals" is due out in the winter issue of

*"West Branch."* Also in early 1997 an essay titled "Lallita," will be published in an Iris editions anthology called *"An Intricate Weave: Women Write on Girls and Girlhood."* Also forthcoming are two poems in *"Puerto Del Sol"*, three poems in *"Prarie Schooner"*, and one poem forthcoming in an anthology called, *"The Muse Strikes back,"* by Storyline Press.

Sornberger has not only published these poems, she has also published about one hundred poems, nine essays, and two books of poems in the past.

"I am excited because a lot of the poems are brand new poems on a series I've been working on," Sornberger said. "Also, the poems are from two series of poems I've written. One is 'The Goddess' and the other one is 'Poems in

the Personae of Different Mythical Women in Mid-Life.'"

The essays that Sornberger has published are actually a chapter from an autobiographical book that she is in the process of writing.

Pifer added that in order to publish something you first have to have an article and then you submit it to a journal that you know something about and you then follow the information on submissions and send it out to the editor. In order to publish a poem, there are a lot of editors in the magazine *Poet and Writers*. In this magazine, which the library here at Mansfield University carries, there are editors who are always looking for articles and poems to be published.

Sornberger urges anyone who writes to check this magazine out.





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Meeting Monday September 16 at 6:00 p.m. in rec. center art studio. New majors from any major are welcome!

1997-98 Student Teachers Pre-registration Meeting  
Any student expecting to do their student teaching in the Fall of 1997 Semester or Spring 1998 Semester must attend the pre-registration meeting according to the following schedule:

### Art Education

When: Sept. 26, 1996  
Where: Allen Hall Room 111  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

### Music Education

When: Sept. 24, 1996  
Where: Butler Center Room 102  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

### Elementary and Secondary Education

When: Sept. 12, 1996  
Where: Allen Lecture Hall  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

### Special Education

When: Sept. 19, 1996  
Where: Retan Center G-5  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

### Attendance Required

All applications must be complete and turned in to the Field Experience Office by Oct. 4, 1996 to facilitate student teaching in 1997-98.

## Forum

*Dream Ride for AIDS  
HIV/AIDS Educator  
Michael Ridgeway  
of Lancaster, PA will be  
riding into  
a forum in 204 Memorial  
Hall Sept. 19,  
1996 at 7:30 pm.*

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## North Hall Tour and Workshop Schedule

Tues. Sept. 17. 1pm Workshop - SearchBank, Fulltext IAC Databases - Garrison.  
Wed. Sept. 18. 11am Workshop - beginner Wordperfect - Older  
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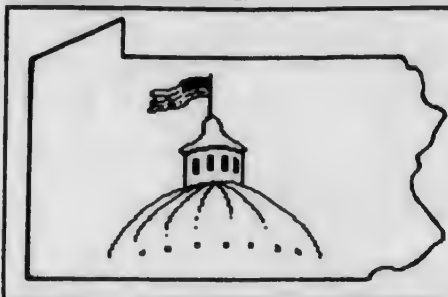
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## Pennsylvania in the News

### Teens nabbed in lemonade stand heist to face charges

ALLENTOWN, Pa. (AP) — Four youngsters who set up a 25-cents-a-cup lemonade stand to earn some spending money for the Allentown Fair had a sour experience last month when they were robbed.

Now, two Allentown boys, 13 and 14, have been charged with stealing a pencil box containing more than \$20 that the young entrepreneurs earned at their stand.

And sympathetic adults came through with donations to make sure that the robbed lemonade vendors got to go to the fair.

The teen-agers were arrested Friday and charged with misdemeanors including theft and criminal conspiracy. They were referred to juvenile probation, said Sgt. Carol Bennis. A third suspect is to be interviewed later this week.

Though not a high-profile crime, the lemonade heist stirred outrage in the community because of its apparent affront to cherished values that some say are under siege in today's world. With that outrage came something of a sweet ending for the lemonade peddlers.

Upon learning through news reports

how the bustling enterprise was halted, many in the Allentown area sought to help the victims by offering money, fair passes and encouraging words.

"I just want to make sure those boys get to go to the fair," said Lori Merwarth of Allentown, who had called The Morning Call to offer whatever it took to make up for the robbery.

"Hearing about things like that just rattles my cage," Dick McCandless of Bethlehem said. He offered the boys \$50.

The boys were offered smaller amounts of money from 10 other people, said Susan Smith, mother of the two younger businessmen, Joe, 11, and Timmy, 9.

The other two victims were Jason Dutsch, 12, and Gavin Fisher, 13.

At the behest of their parents, the lemonade salesmen politely declined most of those money offers, said Smith.

But they did take advantage of fair passes given to them by Allentown Fair coordinators.

"They went on about four hours' worth of rides and had a great time," said Smith.

### Former Attorney General dies

HARRISBURG (AP) — Fred Speaker, the former Pennsylvania attorney general who ordered the dismantling of the electric chair in 1971, died Tuesday at Harrisburg Hospital after a brief illness. He was 66.

At the time of his death, he was organizing a campaign to recruit prominent citizens to speak out against the death penalty in Pennsylvania and across the country.

"He spent time with people on death row. He was very passionate," said William Greenlee, a Harrisburg lobbyist who was Speaker's best friend.

Speaker, who lived in Camp Hill, was appointed attorney general in 1970 by Republican Gov. Raymond P. Shafer. He held the office for about six months, leaving during the first month of Democrat Gov. Milton Shapp's administration.

On the day that Shapp took office, during the 15-minute interlude between the end of Shafer's administration and the beginning of Shapp's, Speaker issued an attorney general's opinion temporarily abolishing the death penalty in Pennsylvania.

He had the chair completely dismantled and put into a closet at the state Correctional Institution at Rockview, where it stayed for two decades, said Rockview spokesman Sam Mazzotta.

The electric chair was the method of execution until November 1990, when Gov. Robert P. Casey signed a bill into law to change it to lethal injection.

Speaker's letter to the prison warden, Joseph Mazurkiewicz, ordered that the chair be removed and the execution chamber be converted into an office. He wrote that his directive was "an attempt on my part to reach into the future."

"The Death Room is an obscenity. Hopefully legislation to abolish the death penalty will be enacted this year. In the

meantime I am unwilling to leave intact, as I depart my office, a cruel instrument of public vengeance."

The chair will soon be on display at the State Historical and Museum Commission, which took it from the prison in 1991.

Greenlee said that Speaker did not want either governor to have to take responsibility for dismantling of the chair.

At the time, Shafer left office at noon on Inauguration Day, and Shapp was sworn into office at 12:15 p.m. Speaker waited in a car outside the federal courthouse in downtown Harrisburg until noon, then sent a certified letter to the Rockview warden.

His successor, J. Shane Creamer, rescinded Speaker's decision eight days later, saying that although he agreed philosophically with Speaker, an attorney general could not rule on the constitutionality of the death penalty in Pennsylvania.

Creamer wrote, however, that there was no reason to re-install the chair, because the question was pending at that time before the U.S. Supreme Court.

A 1972 U.S. Supreme Court ruling held that the states' application of the death penalty was too arbitrary, effectively banning it. In 1976, the court approved death penalty statutes proposed by several states, and executions resumed. Thirty-eight states have adopted new death penalty statutes.

Pennsylvania Gov. Dick Thornburgh, who took office in 1979, signed the first death warrants since Shapp's administration, said Pam Tucker, advisory counsel for the Pennsylvania Prison Society.

According to Greenlee, Speaker became well known for his advocacy in opposition to the death penalty in the United States. His decision to dismantle the chair rocked the nation, Greenlee said.

## Planned Parenthood to have drug tested nationwide

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Planned Parenthood Federation of America wants to make abortion easier for women who don't want surgery. And what, they say, could be easier than taking a shot in the arm and four pills?

Opening a second front in abortion advocates' effort to win FDA approval of an abortion drug, the group will provide 3,000 drug-induced abortions as part of a national study starting in November.

Clinics from New York to San Diego to Boston will be involved. Planned Parenthood also announced the experimental program Wednesday in New York.

Then the federation will ask the FDA to sanction the drugs' use for early abortions. The trial program will be starting while approval of the French abortion drug RU-486 is pending.

"It's a valuable alternative to women," said Jean Coombs, director of Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania. "But it will not replace surgical abortion. If you need an abortion, but would really rather a method that avoids surgery, you'd do this."

The drugs involved in the two-step medical abortion have long been authorized for other uses. Methotrexate is prescribed in the U.S. to treat cancer, arthritis and psoriasis. Misoprostol is used to protect the stomachs of people who take daily doses of anti-inflammatory drugs.

Although use of the drugs for early abortions is legal, Planned Parenthood said it wants formal FDA approval because it is such a sensitive issue.

Studies conducted since 1994 have concluded that the drugs are safe and effective when used in abortion, and a growing number of doctors are already turn-

ing to the alternative.

Here's how it works: A woman who wants a medical abortion is screened to make sure that she's committed to ending her pregnancy and that she won't have a negative reaction to the drugs. The pregnancy must be less than seven weeks duration.

During the first visit, the woman receives a shot of methotrexate, which prevents the embryo from developing. Five to seven days later, four pills of misoprostol are inserted into the woman's vagina, either at a clinic or at home. That causes the uterus to contract and expel the fetus.

Studies have shown it to be 90 percent effective. If the drugs don't cause an abortion within a month, the fetus is removed surgically.

Coombs said women who have had medical abortions compare it to a miscarriage, with heavy bleeding, cramping and nausea often accompanying the misoprostol. But, she said, studies have not shown any long-term effects to the woman's body or her ability to have children later.

Anti-abortion advocates say the after-effects are much more serious and argue that Planned Parenthood is giving women a drug that the FDA has never approved for use by pregnant women.

"It's shocking that Planned Parenthood would put women's lives at risk to further its abortion agenda," said Olivia Gans, spokeswoman for the National Right-to-Life Committee.

Planned Parenthood clinics performed 10 percent of the estimated 1.5 million abortions in the nation in 1994.

### Deal Announced in Trade Meeting

HARRISBURG (AP) — The payoff for Pennsylvania companies on a Canadian trade mission is difficult to predict, but could hold great promise, Gov. Tom Ridge said Wednesday in announcing a drug-company agreement.

Ridge, speaking from Montreal, said each of the 10 companies spending three days with him in Canada is making 10 to 20 contacts with potential business partners. Increased business and more jobs could follow, he said.

The state delegation was in Montreal on Wednesday and began its trip the previous day with meetings in Ottawa, the Canadian capital, with Prime Minister Jean Chretien and trade officials.

"I came here to strengthen the vibrant alliance already established between Pennsylvania and Canada and to enhance that relationship with new industries and technology," Ridge said.

During a news conference conducted by satellite link, Ridge announced a deal between suburban Philadelphia biotechnology company Centocor Inc. and Eli Lilly Canada. The Canadian company will market a Centocor heart drug that prevents blood clotting in angioplasty patients.

Centocor President David P. Holveck said the product, known as ReoPro, is to

be introduced later this fall.

Pennsylvania carries on more trade with Canada than with any other country, with more than \$5 billion each in imports and exports in 1995, according to state officials.

The province of Ontario, which sent \$2.4 billion in goods to Pennsylvania and imported about \$4 billion last year, out-ranked all countries in the European Union in trade with the state, officials said.

The trade mission will cost the state about \$80,000, Ridge administration officials said. The money pays for travel and lodging for the state officials who made the trip, as well as translation services and other costs associated with conducting the mission, the administration said.

Companies that went on the trip paid their own airfare and hotel bills and contributed a total of \$6,000 toward other costs of the trip.

The state sees the expense as a good investment in increasing Pennsylvania exports, said Ridge spokesman Steve Miskin.

"Pennsylvania has been lagging behind," he said. "Governor Ridge wants to get Pennsylvania back into it, not just into it, but become a leader."

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## Mystery Las Vegas body identified as bookie

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A body found in the desert was identified as that of a missing Las Vegas bookmaker believed murdered, while a suspect remains jailed in Maryland.

Police said the body found last month near Overton, Nev., has been identified as that of Bruce Weinstein, who was reported missing July 7.

Metro Sgt. Ken Hefner said Weinstein's girlfriend, Amy Rica Dechant, is still considered the prime suspect in his disappearance but has yet to be charged.

Dechant was arrested last month in Bel Air, Md., on drug-related charges and charges of possessing false papers. She was picked up after Harford County authorities discovered a considerably large amount of cash, false birth certificates,

wigs and information on obtaining false identification in the vehicle she was driving.

Weinstein, who police said ran an illegal bookmaking operation, was reported missing July 7. Police found evidence in Weinstein's home that he was killed there, and interviewed Dechant, who they say gave conflicting information to them.

Hefner said Weinstein's body was found Sept. 11 off the Old Alamo Highway near State Route 168 by a pair of Overton residents who were shooting in the desert. He was identified through dental records.

Weinstein's family has offered a reward of \$25,000 for the location of Weinstein's body and an additional \$25,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of those responsible for the murder.

## Tom Petty files for separation

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tom Petty's marriage of 22 years is free fallin'.

Jane Petty has filed for separation from the leader of Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, citing irreconcilable differences.

The couple have a 14-year-old daughter.

Petty, 42, won a Grammy in February for "You Don't Know How It Feels." Hishits include "Free Fallin'" and "Don't Do Me Like That."

## MPAA bans poster of Harrelson clad in American flag diaper

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A movie poster featuring Woody Harrelson wearing an American flag diaper won't fly.

Columbia Pictures confirmed on Tuesday that the Motion Picture Association of America asked the studio to change the poster for its Christmas season release of "The People vs. Larry Flynt."

The poster features Harrelson, who portrays the Hustler magazine publisher,

wearing a diaper made of an American flag and standing in front of a bikini-clad model.

"We submit all of our ads to the MPAA, and this is nothing unusual," said studio spokesman Dennis Higgins. "We're working with the MPAA to make sure our ad materials reflect the spirit of the movies and they are in good taste."

## Students disturbed by rat baseball game

BRANDON, Fla. (AP) — Agriculture students were clearing out a barn loft behind a high school football stadium when two began playing rat 'baseball,' by pitching the half-poisoned animals and hitting them with a shovel.

Two Brandon high School students said four rats, including three babies, were killed and the teacher did nothing to stop the students.

School officials confirmed the incident, but said the teacher reprimanded a student involved.

"Some of (the rats) were just babies, and I picked them up and carried them away" before they were hit, said Camara Cole, a 16-year-old junior. She said she left the class Monday when a teacher refused to stop the students.

School officials said only one rat was killed by being hit with a metal shovel, and the others died from poison that had been put out last week.

Principal Patrick Gregory also said the class instructor, Dennis Mayo, did stop the game.

"The students up there did encounter rats that were partially poisoned ... and were told to send them down to be buried. Unfortunately, one rodent got swatted, but Mr. Mayo did correct the behavior," Gregory said.

Mayo said he reprimanded the student who hit the rat and spoke to the student's mother.

"Whether the rats were used dead or alive, I do not feel the behavior was appropriate," Mayo said.

Student John Whittaker, 18, said the student involved in the game swatted the rats "across the field."

Whittaker also said the instructor did not immediately stop the students.

"He was laughing," Whittaker said. "It was only when Camara had walked off that Mr. Mayo yelled at them and then he made them bury the rats in the field."

## Shooting of Tupac Shakur no surprise to youth

WASHINGTON (AP) — High schoolers discussing the shooting of rapper Tupac Shakur say they're sorry, but far from surprised, at the shooting of the young performer.

Students in an Anacostia High School current affairs class recalled that the 25-year-old rapper is well known for his brushes with death and frequent dealings with the justice system. Now he is clinging to life in a Las Vegas hospital.

"That was what he rapped about, all the violence in the world, so why should anyone not expect it," said Korin Williams, 17, a senior.

Referring to Saturday night's shooting and the 1994 attack in which Shakur was shot five times during a robbery, Williams said, "I think he has nine lives."

Senior Dona Briscoe, 17, said the shooting "is just part of the image the Shakur put out there."

"He talked about guns and violence and I guess it caught up with him," Briscoe said. "I hope he makes it through but it might be time for him to change his ways."

According to police reports, Shakur, in Las Vegas attending Mike Tyson's championship fight Saturday evening, was ambushed by four gunmen while riding in a car. Shakur was hit four times, including two shots in the chest. A lung was removed by surgeons Sunday.

Marion "Suge" Knight, chairman of Death Row Records which produces many of the nation's top rap music stars, was the driver of the car and suffered flesh wounds.

Shakur, who sports a tattoo with the words "Thug Life" across his chest and stomach, also has been arrested at least a half-dozen times in the past three years. He was released from a New York jail last year pending his appeal of a sex-abuse conviction. He had served eight

months in prison and had to be brought by wheelchair into the courtroom to stand trial.

Police are still searching for the gunmen in Saturday's attack. Students at the school have their own theory.

Virtually all said they felt Shakur was the victim of a violent feud between East Coast and West Coast rappers and their supporters.

"If you just listen to what they say about each other, you know there is a war going on between the East (Coast) and the West (Coast)," said senior Rasheva Eason, 17. "People are jealous of each other and they have a rivalry going. It's getting violent."

Most of the 30 students around the table in the classroom chimed in or nodded in affirmation.

"It doesn't make any sense to me because they are all making money," said Dominic Dricott, 17, a senior. "But they keep talking about who did this and who did that. I guess someone took it too far."

Contacted at his office, Adario Strange, executive editor of New York-based Source magazine which chronicles rap and hip-hop culture, said rumors about the regional rivalry have circulated in rap circles since the shooting.

"People are talking about the East Coast-West Coast stuff being behind it but I'm not sure," Strange said. "My sources are saying it all began with a fight in a casino earlier in the night. But I can't say the East Coast-West Coast stuff is out of the question."

What is out of the question, to at least one student, is Shakur maintaining his current circle of associates if he intends to stay healthy.

"I'm not sure who was behind it," Briscoe said. "But I do know one thing — its time for Tupac to give up the thug life."

## Jodeci member arrested following awards show

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dalvin Etemus Degrate, a member of the R&B group Jodeci, was arrested outside a Hollywood nightclub for refusing an officer's order to move his car, authorities said.

Degrate, 25, was in his car among a crowd of several hundred people that had gathered early Tuesday for a party following the "Soul Train" awards show.

Revelers had spilled onto the street and double-parked cars blocked traffic, sheriff's spokesman Deputy Jim Hellmold said. Degrate at first refused to move his car and then drove away when the officer told him to pull over, he said.

The singer was later pulled over and arrested. He was released pending an Oct. 1 appearance in court.

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### Do Something...

We here at the *Flashlight* have heard one common complaint time and time again that outranks all other student complaints.

"There's nothing to do in this town!"

Well maybe if you would only get out of bed and stop watching television all day long you would realize that there is a plethora of things to do. For one thing, there's plenty of clubs and organizations to get involved in.

Working on the *Flashlight* has made our lives here at Mansfield as exciting as they can possibly be. Where else can you be in touch with everything that happens here on campus. You get a chance to gain hands on experience in your major and advance your career before it even starts.

Currently there are over 80 clubs and organizations on campus that range from religious to recreational activities. Every one of them welcomes new members no matter what your major. Some of these clubs even allow you to travel abroad and experience new people and places. Plus, it's a great resume builder. Many of the organizations advertise their existence on page five.

Besides joining a club or organization, the university itself sponsors many on and off campus events.

For example, this weekend Mansfield University will be hosting the annual Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival held at Staughn Hall. This three day event features nationally known storytellers from all over the globe. Events will include ghost stories, spiritual speakers, children's stories and everything in between. It's a chance to get rid of those thoughts about research papers and mid terms and listen to something interesting for a change.

Next week kicks off the North Hall Grand Opening Celebration. Games, musical acts and guest speakers will be featured during this three day ceremony. Even if the library isn't your idea of a good time, come out and laugh at the people in 1890's costume. Hey, you're even getting out of Tuesday afternoon classes for this! Take advantage of President Kelchner's generosity and attend the event.

If you're sick of being on campus, why not try downtown? Next weekend the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce and Mansfield University will play host to the annual 1890's Weekend, a celebration of Mansfield's heritage. A re-enactment of the first night football game, parades, food, music and games are all highlighted during this travel back in time. All events will be held at Smythe Park, right behind Dunkin' Donuts.

We realize that boredom is a common ailment to people of all ages but it's something you can relieve on your own. With all of the problems facing college students, boredom should be the last thing on your mind. If you honestly have nothing to do, go to the library and read a book.

What about good music? The music department is always holding concerts and recitals featuring not only university students but professional musicians as well. If you prefer rock music, MAC is spending your student activity fee on Coffee House every Wednesday.

If music isn't your thing try out for the four yearly campus plays. They are always looking for new actors along with stage crew, ushers and ticket sellers.

What about sporting events? Students with Mansfield University ID's are allowed in for free. It's a good way to release all that pent up aggression from classes and homework by yelling and screaming for your favorite players. Each season there are at least two or three different sporting events happening all at once. Athletics even sponsors bus trips for away games.

You came to college for the experience of a lifetime. Do you really think four years of video games will be something you want to tell your grandchildren about? It's time to get out and do something! Stop complaining or at least write your complaints down and submit them to the letters to the editor!

**We have no  
 Editorial Cartoon  
 this week  
 because we  
 couldn't find a  
 student with the  
 motivation to draw  
 one.**

### MU alumni has complaint about last week's editorial

To the Editor.

I was surprised to read of your reaction to North Hall. As an alumni and a contributor to the North Hall campaign I, along with thousands of other alumni and friends of the university, believe that the new North Hall will go a long way to insuring the very existence of Mansfield University.

North Hall will be the foundation to building an improved Mansfield University. It is not a testimony to decay, as your analogy to the Roman Empire implies, but a symbol of resurrection. It is the foundation on which to build a better and more advanced institution of higher learning.

North Hall has nothing to do with the cost of tuition, the number of professors, or department budget cuts. It exists because of the university community. Alumni and friends got together to give their hard earned money to make Mansfield a better place for its students by establishing a state-of-the-art library that is the envy of every institution in the state system of higher education. Instead of talking, complaining, or blaming someone, these people went out and did something.

Only someone ignorant of the facts could blame North Hall for some of the difficulties Mansfield is struggling to overcome.

The budget at Mansfield University is determined by two things: 1) the amount of money received from the state and 2) the amount of students enrolled. North Hall will bring more students to Mansfield University. You blame the administration for not doing enough to lobby the state for more money. That may or may not be true. My question to you is, what have you done, as a spokesperson for the student body, to lobby the governor and legislature to reverse the declining amount of state funding?

Until you can look yourself in the mirror and say you have made that effort, don't be critical of people who have.

North Hall was saved to build a better future for Mansfield University and its students. Long after all of us are gone, it will still be fulfilling that function. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for most of us.

Steve McCloskey

### Student proposes plan to repair ruined parking lot

Dear Editor:

This letter has been written to inform the administration of Mansfield University of a problem that affects a good many students who have automobiles on campus, specifically upperclass dormitory residents who make use of the parking lot next to the tennis courts to park their vehicles. This lot has been in a state of disrepair since I arrived here as a transfer student in the fall of 1994 and has worsened with inclement weather to the point where the potholes now resemble manholes without covers. This is not conducive to vehicle safety or maintenance. I would like to propose that loose gravel and ground-fill from the nearby construction area, where the new recreation center is being erected, be used to fill in the worst of these pits before the winter season is upon us making this parking site not only unsightly and irritating but dangerous for all of the drivers among us.

Sue Ward

#### Commentary policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary you may turn it in to the *Flashlight* office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writer's name, major, class and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week, we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.



## Commentary

# Columnist reminisces about pains of tax season



**Dave Barry**

It's income tax time again, Americans: time to gather up those receipts, get out those tax forms, sharpen up that pencil, and stab yourself in the aorta.

No, seriously, contrary to what many so-called "people" say, doing your income taxes is NOT difficult, as long as you're willing to take the time to read the instructions carefully and make up numbers out of thin air. I'll have some helpful tax-preparation advice later in the column, but first it's time for a patriotic message on the topic of: Why You Should Pay Your Taxes.

Basically, you should pay your taxes because, in the words of the late Abraham Lincoln, "Otherwise, we throw you in jail." Your federal government needs your money so that it can perform vital services for you that you would not think up yourself in a million years. Of course, not everybody feels that these services are so vital; some crit-

ics note that during the recent Budget Crisis, when the government was shutting down every 15 minutes, hardly anybody seemed to be affected except government employees. This led some critics to conclude that the main service provided by the federal government is employing government employees.

Well, here's what I have to say to some critics: "Oh, yeah?" I say this because I happen to believe that our government provides some extremely vital services, by which I mean "The X-Files." This is a special FBI operation that is portrayed on a weekly TV show, also called "The X-Files," featuring two agents, Agent Mulder and Agent Scully, both of whom always look depressed to the point of root canal. Not that I blame them: They are responsible for investigating every paranormal event in the United States, which means they hardly ever talk to anybody who has not, at minimum, been abducted by space aliens.

Recently I saw an episode where Agents Mulder and Scully were chasing around after this really disgusting slimy sewer-dwelling creature — caused, of course, by atomic radiation — that was partly human and partly lung fluke. (If you don't know what a lung fluke is, trust me, you are better off.) This creature reproduced by biting a sewer worker (whatever we are paying our sewer workers, it is not enough) and putting a larva inside him; later on, the sewer worker coughed up a baby fluke creature in a shower scene that I will never forget as long as I live because I happened to be eating a meatball sand-

wich at the time. The episode climaxed with Agent Mulder fighting the creature IN A SEWER, and I recall thinking, as I watched them splash around in the slime, that if the government is going to take my money, this is EXACTLY the kind of program I want it to be used for.

So I'm sure we all agree that we should pay our Fair Share of taxes and to the best of our ability to figure out what was going through the minds of whoever, speaking of space aliens, wrote the U.S. Tax Code. This is why I'm going to devote the rest of this column to answering Your Common Income Tax Questions. The most commonly asked question, of course, is:

Q. Can you legally deduct the cost of the meatball sandwich, since you mentioned it in this column?

A. Don't be absurd. Yes.

O. Does O.J. Simpson have to pay taxes on the profits he receives from his new video?

A. No, because we cannot conclusively PROVE that the person in the video is O.J. Simpson. It could be somebody who looks exactly like him and lives in his house and is also named "O.J. Simpson."

Q. You know the guy who does those Infiniti commercials? With the black outfit and the accent?

A. Yes.

Q. Don't you get the feeling he just thinks he's BETTER than everybody else?

A. Yes.

Q. How is the Internal Revenue Service coming along in its mission to develop a tax form so scary that merely

reading it will cause the ordinary taxpayer's brain to explode?

A. Extremely well. The latest effort, sent in by alert accountant Craig Podosek, is Schedule J, Form 1118, which is entitled — I am not making this up — "Separate Limitation Loss Allocations and Other Adjustments Necessary to Determine Numerators of Limitation Fractions, Year-End Recharacterization Balances, and Overall Foreign Loss Account Balances."

Q. What do the IRS instructions for this form state about Line 1?

A. They state: "Be sure to consider on this line the possible interplay between the separate limitation losses and any net operating losses or net capital losses of which they may be a part."

Q. What?! People have to be TOLD to do this?

A. That is the pathetic state of our society today.

Q. I understand that Congress is considering a so-called "flat" tax system. How would this work?

A. If Congress were to pass a "flat" tax, you'd simply pay a fixed percentage of your income, and you wouldn't have to fill out any complicated forms, and there would be no loopholes for politically connected groups, and normal people would actually understand tax laws, and giant talking broccoli stalks would come around and mow your lawn for free, because Congress is NOT going to pass a flat tax, you pathetic fool.

GOT A QUESTION OR COMMENT FOR THE IRS?

## GOP on defensive in congress; democrats warn of GOP cuts

**David Espo**

WASHINGTON (AP) — With campaign concerns paramount, Republicans will spend much of their time playing defense in the current pre-election session of Congress, while Democrats warn voters that the true GOP agenda means deep cuts in social programs.

No sooner had lawmakers returned to the Capitol last week than Speaker Newt Gingrich and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott announced there would be no year-end tax cut.

"If we were to pass a real tax cut, Bill Clinton would veto it," Gingrich told reporters in remarks that Lott hastened to second.

Republicans offered numerous other explanations for their decision to abandon the shrunken centerpiece of their 1994 "Contract With America," that there wasn't enough time, for example, and that Democrats would try to graft on undesirable provisions in the Senate.

What they didn't say was that passage of the tax cut would oblige them to pass the bills needed to pay for it — billions in savings from Medicaid and Medicare — that they quietly shelved earlier this year in hopes of steadying their re-election chances.

Under the GOP balanced budget plan approved earlier this year, an election year tax cut of \$122 billion was envisioned. To pay for it, Republicans proposed reforming welfare — a measure already signed into law — as well as squeezing \$72 billion from Medicaid over six years; \$158 billion from Medi-

care and \$73 billion from other benefit programs.

In an uncertain campaign environment less than two months before Election Day, few Republicans have the stomach for bringing these measures to the floor of either house.

Not that Democrats intend to let the issue go away that quickly. The two Democratic leaders, Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota and Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri, welcomed Republicans back to the Capitol with a broadside against GOP presidential candidate Bob Dole's bigger, \$551 billion tax cut.

Daschle said the chart he was using for a prop "isn't big enough to contain a graph that shows how much of a Medicare cut it would take" to pay for the tax cut proposed by the GOP presidential nominee.

Added Gephardt: "We think it's time to retire the Gingrich Congress."

If tax cuts are off the table for Republicans, so is a government shutdown. That means that unlike a year ago, Republicans are drafting must-pass spending measures to be signed into law with a minimum of fuss.

"We're not putting poison pills into the bills," says Tony Blankley, spokesman for Gingrich. Republicans fully expect, as Lott said last week, that Clinton will demand more for social programs than the GOP wants to spend. Other Republicans said they will give the White House much of what it wants, to avoid stirring the public's memories of last year's government shutdowns.

Republicans hope to have their turn at offense this month.

One of the last measures to go through either House will be an override attempt on Clinton's veto of legislation banning certain late-term abortions. Given the gruesome nature of so-called "partial birth abortions," many Democrats would just as soon not vote at all on the issue. Republicans will make sure they do, hoping that Democrats who vote to override the veto will offend their pro-choice constituents, and that those who vote to sustain the veto will offend Catholic voters in their districts.

For their part, Democrats may counter in the House by trying to force the GOP-controlled ethics committee to take action in the case involving Gingrich.

Given Dole's poor standing in the polls and Gingrich's dismal ratings, Democrats express new optimism about gaining control of the House on Nov. 5.

Republicans express optimism about their own chances, assuming the Dole campaign doesn't completely collapse.

Gingrich and the Republican high command got an update last week from Rep. Bill Paxon of New York, who

chairs the GOP House campaign committee. According to officials, Paxon's private prediction was for a net GOP gain of about eight seats if the election were held today. He identified six GOP lawmakers whose seats would likely be lost if balloting were held now, these officials said, including first-term Reps. Fred Heineman of North Carolina; Michael Flanagan of Illinois; Steve Stockman of Texas; James Longley of Maine; and Jim Bunn of Oregon. The sixth is Rep. Martin Hoke, a two-term Republican from Ohio.

On the other hand, he identified more than a dozen seats that GOP is likely to pick up, many of them Southern seats where Democrats are retiring.

In the Senate, Republicans and Democrats alike agree that an unusually large number of races are competitive two months before Election Day, with enough volatility evident in the polls for either party to gain control.

Which explains why most lawmakers in both houses are eager to wrap up the business of Congress by the end of the month and return home for campaigning.

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## Non Sequitur

### A treatise on the subtle nuances of the "Smurfs"

by Chris McGann  
rerun editor rerun editor

(Editor's Note: This column is a space filling rerun. Sorry if you've already read it.)

Before I write this column (yes, it is about the Smurfs cartoon), I should make a small note about my current mental state. I am probably no crazier than anybody else on campus after registration. While I am writing this, I have, in fact, caught up on most of my sleep and I am writing this with a clear mental focus.

Earlier today, some friends of mine were discussing some of the strange things about the Smurfs cartoon and I realized just how much cartoon writers are allowed to twist, bend, and generally pervert the hell out of common logic. I'm not trying to bring reality into cartoons but consider some of these observations.

Why was there only one female Smurf out of a population of 100. That is a bigger gender bias than the U.S. Senate. And did this lead to problems of sexual frustration? There could not be enough of her to go around. And consider Vanity Smurf. Who is he really try-

ing to impress? Is their blue color another result of their sexual frustration?

Smurfette is not even a good role model for girls. She was a flirt in a sleazy dress who was submissive to her male counterparts. Any idea that she had was laughed at and almost never had the chance to save the day.

Sparky just reminded me that new Smurfs are created once a year when one Smurf loses his tail (personally I thought that they all just had big hemorrhoids). A baby smurf is created in this way. But Smurfs always let this genital organ, commonly known as a tail, hang out of their pants. This would be the equivalent of Yosemite Sam walk around with his testicles hanging out of his pants! I would say that the networks missed this golden opportunity to censor something meaningless.

Did they live inside of "magic" mushrooms? If so, it may explain Jokey Smurf's unstable mental state. Maybe Gargamel the evil wizard was the unfortunate result of a bad trip. It could be possible that the Smurf themselves were the result of a bad trip.

I also think that the Smurfs stole their theme music from the J. Giels Band. The music from the Smurfs sound suspiciously close to the Song

"Centerfold." (No, I don't listen to cheesy '80's music on a regular basis.)

Why didn't they ever wear different pants or hats. Also, what was up with the no shirt look?

What would have happened if the teenage Smurfs grew up. I think that the show had to be cancelled when they became Generation X, slacker Smurfs that we never saw. They probably wore his hat backwards (if that was possible), had green skin and kept his tail inside of his pants. I can imagine them wearing a flannel shirt over their bare, blue chests and questioning Papa Smurf's policies on drug use (no shrooms for them), music (they listened to Candlebox instead of J. Giels), and eating those damn smurfberries.

Finally, why were they always so happy? What if somebody tried to cut down a tree that would fall on their village? There would be a big debate about the lumber industry vs. Smurfs. What if somebody came along and stole all of their magic mushroom houses? A druggie would make them all homeless.

Well now that I made an innocent cartoon about a classic cartoon the subject of my most recent reaction to the world, I will be accepting death threats from anybody who was offended.

There is nothing in this box.

## Stupidity: one more sure sign of progress

by Josh Cusatis  
untitled editor

Recently, my roommate and I were watching CNN to get ahead in our knowledge of world events. We were trying to better ourselves, I suppose. There was a report on that became even more and more ridiculous as I watched.

Apparently, PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) is up in arms over their discovery of a town in upstate New York called Fishkill. They feel that the name Fishkill should be changed because of "... the violent imagery it conjures up." Howasinine!

Do they really expect us to believe that the name of a town has some

sort of psychological power that can suggest horrible thoughts?

"Every time I come to Mansfield the only thing I can think of is forty naked men running through a prairie!" an MU student once said.

According to CNN there is an inn in the town of Fishkill that goes by the same name. They interviewed the owner of the inn and found out that the inn has gone under that name since George Washington stayed there. Washington was alive at the time, but the innkeeper was not.

Fortunately, the town of Fishkill has a sane mayor and he stated in this report that there is absolutely no considare even bigger idiots than I thought. Do they think that fish are cute

while beavers and cats are not?

A spokeswoman for PETA urged any town that has a name which is insensitive to animals to change it as soon as is possible. I say screw that! I'm going to found a town and call it Bloodydogskull! Then I'm going to start another town and call it New Bloodydogskull! I'm going to cover all the bases: Bloodydogskullburgh, Bloodydogskullsfeld, and Bloodydogskullsford!

The person reporting on this story went around to different people on the street and asked them how they would feel about living in a town called Fishsave. Every single person they asked said that it was a ludicrous idea. I think anyone who likes the name Fishsave

should be shot without a last cigarette.

An acquaintance of mine brought up a really good point. How would all of you feel if a Catholic organization went to Amish country or Lancaster County and told the people of Blue Ball or Intercourse that they find those names disgusting and offensive?

"Change the name of your town or you will burn in Hell!"

"Doesn't sound likely since I don't believe in your Hell."

What I really want to say is that before you join any organization, check it out. Just because it may seem to have the best causes in mind there still might be some idiots that have distorted its values with stupidity or something worse.

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# Out of Context

## Don't be it . . . conceive it

by Ian Kaiser  
wired editor

Disclaimer: if you are too young to make decisions for yourself, or are offended by sensitive issues like same sex relationships, click here to go to another page! If you are curious, click here to read on.

So, for whatever reason, you are still reading. And you are probably wondering what I am going to write about. This week's topic, boys and girls, is conceptual bisexuality.

With that phrase, I'm sure that those people who should not have ignored my disclaimer are now coming face to face with all their evil little biases, prejudices, and moral beliefs. If the hackles are standing up on the back of your neck, you'll have to decide whether or not to keep on reading. It's up to you. Do you want to open your mind, or keep the way of thinking you have become so accustomed to?

Congratulations. That is the first step toward realizing that you too are conceptually bisexual.

Before I go any farther, I'll describe this little theory of mine. It basically has to do with human nature. I believe that when you are born, you have

no chemical, moral, or any other type of filter telling you what type of people you can be attracted to. There has been no conclusive proof found that sexual preference is inborn. I think it is completely learned. Most people who take this view, however, think that everyone is born hardwired to be heterosexual, and they may learn to like people of the same sex. I firmly believe that we were all born with the capability to love everyone. Straight homosexuality and heterosexuality are caused by influences and roles imposed upon us by society, friends, family, and other role models, as well as the experiences we have while growing up. I look at this viewpoint as a sort of unadulterated humanism. I can be attracted to humans, people, with no restrictions except my tastes. Why judge people differently because of the way their bodies are made?

In all truth, I have never been in a relationship with another male. The beauty of conceptual bisexuality is that you do not have to tie yourself down to any limiting identities. You allow yourself to be freely attracted to anyone who comes along. You may never get the chance to try out the bi part of your conceptual sexuality. That's okay, because you're not bisexual. You don't have to taste "forbidden fruit" in order to give

yourself a nomenclature. It just involves being in a state of mind to accept that if you ever had the desire to be with a person of the same sex, you would not deny that you had the impulse. You would not feel that the desire was evil, or perverted, or disgusting in any way. Conceptually, you would be completely comfortable with the attraction. Whether or not you chose to act on the impulse is immaterial. Just the acceptance of the desire is enough to be conceptually bisexual.

So now I'll go back to the point I was originally making about the biases we have all built up around alternate sexualities. Do you really think you need them? I know, it's difficult to change beliefs you may feel like you have held your whole life. And you may say "Why should I change my views. I think you're wrong, so why should I change that?" I'll tell you why. Because you need to. In this age of rapid change, new ideas, and shrinking boundaries, we have to start agreeing with each other. It may seem unfortunate, but no one is going to change because you want them to.

So maybe conceptual bisexuality is ahead of its time. So let's compromise. Let's all just try to respect each other's beliefs. Remember this: "Right and wrong are nothing but points of view."

### Pertinent Web Site of the Week

## Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival

<http://www.mnsfld.edu/depts/storytel/index.html>

This is the official web site for the Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival, which in case you are totally clueless, is the main event on campus this weekend. It contains information about the performers, the history of the festival, and links to other storytelling sites.

(Shameless plug: for more information, read my article on page 1.)

# Free thoughts in a censored world

Matthew E. Gallo  
editor of the pettin' zoo

Hallelujah! In the first round of what is sure to be a long and drawn out case, a federal judge declared the CDA (Communications Decency Act) to be unconstitutional. Now the federal government is of course going to appeal, but a major blow has been struck on behalf of all free-thinking people everywhere.

The CDA is one of the biggest issues to challenge free speech in some time. Basically, it says that you can't display anything indecent on the Internet. Now mind you, it does not define indecent. So we are left to ponder what exactly indecent is.

Is a picture of a woman's breast indecent? Yes, you say? What if the picture is on a web page dealing with breast cancer? And if it does happen to be on a pornographic page, so what! The people who pose for these pictures and the people who look at them obviously don't find them indecent or offensive. If you do, then here is some advice to heed in your Internet travels... don't access pages you don't like!

Playboy, Penthouse and other

adult magazines are, and have been published without fear of legal repercussions for years. Why, you ask? Because they are in print form.

Since I write for a newspaper, I can say that I believe that the President and Congress are a bunch of fucking wankers (Editor's note: I plead the first!) for passing this assine law; however, if I wanted to post this on the Internet, then I have to take that last sentence out. Why? Same story. But put it into a different medium, and mom and dad in Washington say that I no longer have my first amendment rights.

The court's decision, which stated that since the Internet is the largest medium for the exchange of ideas, it deserves the greatest protection of the first amendment. Hence the restrictions placed on it by the CDA are constitutionally intolerable.

The primary problem here is that the government doesn't want us to look too closely at their own workings. By throwing garbage like this at us, our attention is kept on the trivial and meaningless and not on the actual problem. If we are ever given a chance to look at Washington and see how screwed up everything is, they know that their pathetic derrieres are going to

be out of a job.

Secondly, there are entirely too many people out there who want the federal government to raise their kids for them. These are the morally overbearing, socially inept, and domestically lazy who feel self righteous enough to tell the rest of us to live. And then they go out and get their senators to draft some stupid bill designed to restrict the rest of us in our normal lives.

The basic solution to the problem is actually quite simple. Folks, if you want to have kids, be prepared to be parents. This entails becoming involved in your children's lives. Talk to them. Talk about morals, principles, Bevis and Butthead, anything! Just communicate with them.

It has become entirely too fashionable to simply blame society for the troubles a child gets into. Guess

what folks? We are society. That's right. Blame ourselves. What a concept!

My parents don't worry about the decisions that I make. Why? Because they actually took the time to get to know me while I was growing up. They also were not afraid to let me make my own mistakes. The mistakes I have made are mine. I am not going to suddenly remember that my parents spanked me when I was younger, and that's why I'm out here on the roof of North Hall with an assault rifle. Get real.

If we lived in a perfect world we wouldn't have to worry about goofy things like the CDA. Of course, in a perfect world, I'd also be the starting center for the Toronto Mapleleaves. The bottom line is that we don't live in a perfect world; life sucks and the best you can do is get a helmet. But that's just my opinion.

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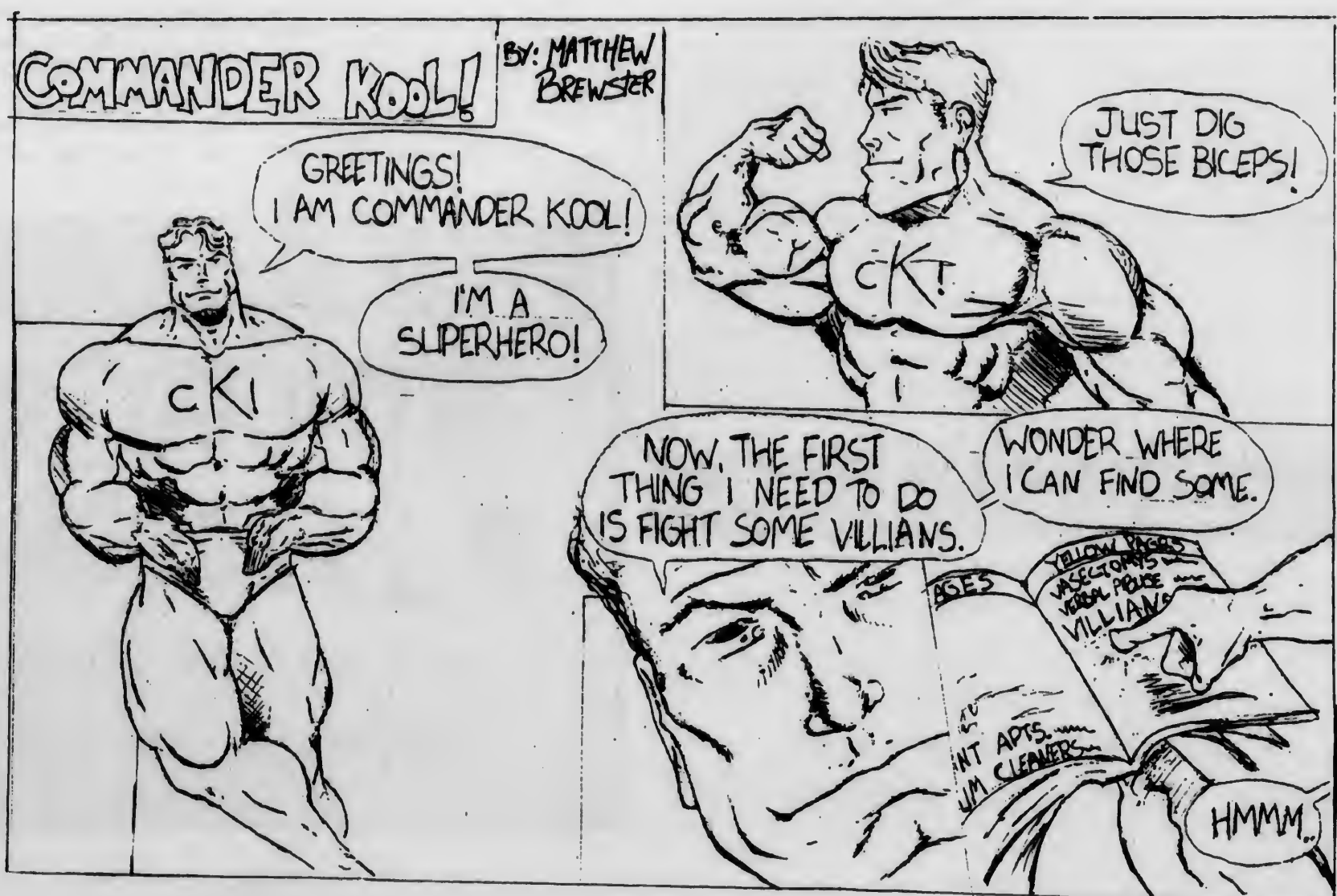
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# SPORTS

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The Flashlight

Friday, Sept. 13, 1996

## Johnston, Smith score in Mounties first win of season

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team opened its season with a 18-0 win Saturday September 7 over SUNY-Cortland.

"The kids did everything we asked them to do," said second year head football coach Joe Viadella. "They became a much tighter team and they accomplished their first goal-to win."

Junior placekicker Johnston gave the Mountaineers a 3-0 lead early on a career long 45 yard field goal with 4:55 left to go in the first quarter. Johnston's kick was the second largest in MU history behind a 53-yarder by Bob Witmer in 1982. Three minutes later freshman quarterback Smith scored his first career touchdown on a 1 yd run.

"Our offensive line and (Jason) Donadi did us a great job," Smith said. "All I did was get the ball in the end zone."

Cortland's only real scoring drive of the afternoon was stopped short when senior cornerback Jim Nicholson stepped in front of a pass at the MU three-yard line and returned it for 63-yards. In the second quarter, Nicholson picked off another pass at the MU-30 and returned it for three-yards.

"After Jim Nicholson's interception it really turned the tides for us," Johnston said.

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With 4:16 left to go in the third quarter, Johnston scored a 25-yard field goal and Smith closed out the scoring late in the fourth quarter on a two-yard run.

"It was a really good feeling to get the start," Smith said. "I'm glad all the hard work paid off."

The Mountaineer defense limited Cortland to 171-yards in total offense including just 79 yards rushing. Mansfield racked up 304 yards in total offense including 230 on the ground behind junior running back Donadi's 125 yd effort on 31 carries.

Freshman Matt Hanley caught two passes for 50 yards and freshman Nate Davis had one catch for 22 yards.

"We really showed what we can do as a team," Donadi said. "We had so much anxiety and it all came out in the game."

Mansfield's defense had a total four interceptions on the rain soaked field. Sophomore Matt Williams led the team with nine tackles. Freshman middle linebacker Rich Entrot chipped in with five. Nicholson's two interceptions and four tackles earned him Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Eastern Division Defensive Co-Player of the Week.

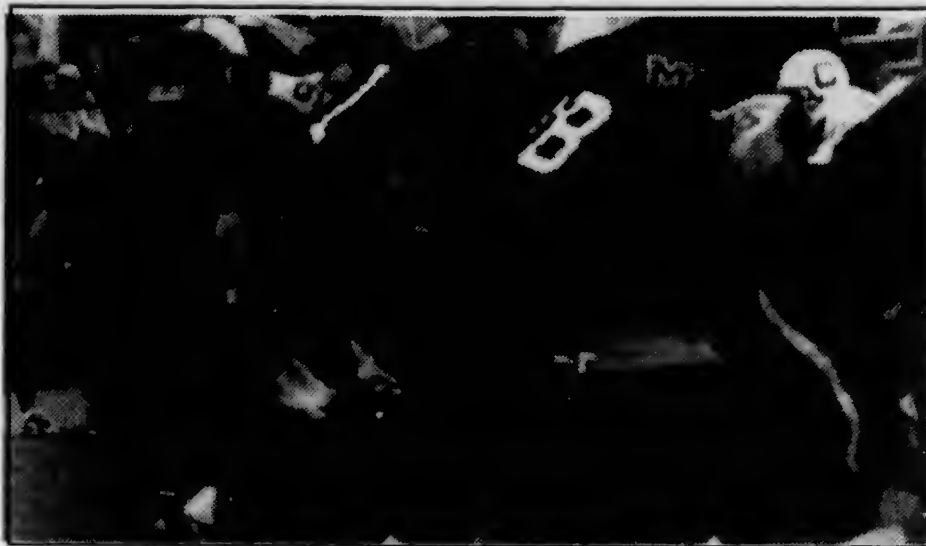


Photo by Ron Remy

Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith (4) hands off the ball in the Mounties first win of the season over SUNY-Cortland. Final score was 18-0.

Senior All-American defensive end Joel Kargbo had two quarterback sacks for -20 yards.

"Our defense really won it for us," Smith said.

The Mountaineers will travel to Southern Connecticut September 14 to face the Southern Connecticut Owls (1-

0) in their first road trip of the season. It is the first ever meeting between the two teams.

Kickoff is slated for 1 p.m. at Jess Dow field.

"We're very much looking forward to this weekend's game," Viadella said.

## Mountie football travels to Southern Connecticut

by Michael Kittle  
sports reporter

After last Saturday's 18-0 shut-out victory over SUNY-Cortland, the Mansfield University Mountaineer football team will take on the Southern Connecticut Owls on Saturday, September 14.

The Mounties young football team consists of six starting freshman and only seven starting seniors.

Head Mountaineers football coach Joe Viadella is confident of his players.

"I wouldn't take the team there (to Southern Connecticut) if I didn't feel we couldn't win," Viadella said.

Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith made his mark last week with two on the ground touchdowns for one and two-yards, while completing only four of 16 passes.

Place kicker Jason Johnston scored six more points on two field goals, including a career long 45 yarder. His second field goal of the game was at 25 yards.

Viadella stands by his decision to start a freshman at the quarterback position.

"You have to play the best," Viadella said.

According to Viadella, Cortland was a big win and will hopefully give the team some confidence going into the Southern Connecticut match-up.

Southern Connecticut is also coming off a shutout victory (27-0) against Mammouth.

The Southern Connecticut defense gave up 235-yards passing but caused to put the ball up 54 times.

Southern Connecticut has an experienced team with 15 returning players.

"We're just going to take it as any other game," Smith said.

"We noticed some of their team's weaknesses watching film this week and hope to key in on those weakness," junior running back Jason Donadi stated.

Game time is scheduled for 1 p.m. at Jess Dow Field.

### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	16	4	25.0	74	0	0	0

Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
M. Hanley	2	50	0	J. Donadi	31	125	0
N. Davis	1	22	0	D. Banyar	11	44	0
L. Brannon	1	2	0	L. Smith	10	13	2
				L. Brannon	7	41	0
				N. Davis	2	7	0

Punting	No.	Yds.	Av.
M. Hanley	9	292	32.4

Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	2	66	0				
C. Morrison	1	9	0				
J. Ludwig	1	1	0				

Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	TD
L. Brennon	1	17	0

Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD
J. Williams	4	14	0

Sacks: Joel Kargbo (2-20yds)

Tackle Leaders: M. Williams (9), R. Entrot (5), J. Kargbo (4), P. Ginther (4), J. Nicholson (4), M. Abrachinsky (4)

Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	2						12
J. Johnston					2-2		6

### 1996 Mountie Football Schedule

#### SEPTEMBER:

7 SUNY Cortland  
14 at Southern Connecticut State  
21 at Ithaca College  
28 at Lock Haven

#### OCTOBER:

5 Millersville  
12 at Bloomsburg  
19 Kutztown  
26 at West Chester University

#### NOVEMBER:

2 East Stroudsburg University  
9 at Cheyney University  
16 Clarion University



# Mountie field hockey gets new head coach

by Jackie Williams  
sports reporter

Mansfield University's field hockey team returns to the playing field with a new look this year. Gone from the sidelines is former head coach Tracey Houk.

Houk made the decision to resign in June, 1996 after spending two years helping to build Mansfield's field hockey program.

Houk compiled a record of 9-18-1 while at Mansfield before her departure.

Houk is now the head coach for the Ithaca College field hockey program and assistant coach for the Lady Bombers Lacrosse team. She has also expanded her role to that of teacher by teaching two classes to physical education majors.

"I moved in a very positive direction for myself," Houk said. "I was looking for something different than

what Mansfield could offer me. The sports programs are taken care of very well here (at Ithaca) and there is more supports."

Also leaving the team is former assistant coach Mark Banks who is now the assistant wrestling coach at Cornell University.

Taking over Mansfield's program is first year college coach, Vickie A. Sax.

Sax was one of 55 applicants for the head position. Among the applicants was the head coach from Union College of Schenectady, NY and the assistant coach from Temple University. Athletic Director Roger Maisner said.

Sax settled at Mansfield after coaching varsity field hockey at Vestal High School in Vestal, NY for nine years. She also served as head coach for the softball team and taught physical education.

"Vickie's built strong programs at Vestal that have earned championship honors," Maisner said. "We're excited

about her joining our staff at Mansfield and are confident she will continue the improvement in Mansfield field hockey."

Sax brought with her a long list of credentials. In 1994, Sax guided Vestal to a spot in the New York State Class A Quarterfinals in field hockey.

The following year she earned Coach of the Year honors after her softball team finished second in the New York State Class A Championship game.

Sax graduated from the University of Iowa in 1985 with a B.A. in physical education.

She was a four year member of the Hawkeye field hockey team that was ranked in the top ten teams in the country at the time. Sax received her M.A. in sports psychology from SUNY-Cortland in 1989.

Sax brings a whole new agenda with her to Mansfield field hockey. With only 13 returning players on the roster, the changes haven't

presented an extremely rocky transition.

"Coach Sax is into the power-type game," co-captain Elizabeth Bricker said. "She is looking for the big play ball and a fast-break, relay type game. She wants you to make one move and then get rid of it."

According to her players, Sax has a winning personality and knows how to get the best effort out of her players.

"Coach Sax is really going to improve our team because she is so intense and competitive," junior Tandy Carey said. "She works us really hard and is very strict about discipline."

The Mounties first chance to show off their new look will be a re-scheduled game with Elmira College on September 12 at 4:00 p.m.

The Mounties won that exhibition game 15-0 over Elmira College.

The Mounties first record-counting game of the year will be Saturday, September 14 at home against SUNY-Brockport. Game time is slated for 1 p.m.

## Mountie baseball opens fall season against Toronto

special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University baseball opens its fall season this weekend hosting a twin bill against the University of Toronto.

This game marks only the second time in MU history that the Mountaineers have played against an

international opponent. In 1989 the Mounties hosted Lithuania. This game kicks off the first home fall-ball game for the Mounties.

"It's a great opportunity to get out and play four games this weekend," Head Mountaineer baseball coach Harry Hillson said. "The emphasis of fall-ball is to let the younger guys get

out and play and develop their skills for the spring. Playing against an international opponent will be a real positive experience for the club."

Toronto is the largest university in Canada and are lead by second year coach Rick Johnston.

For the fifth straight year the Mountaineers finished first in their

division. Last season the Mounties posted a 31-14 record including a 15-5 mark in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference-East (PSAC).

Game times for the weekend's doubleheader are Saturday 1 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m. Both games will be played at the Mountaineer's Joseph Shaute field.

## PIAA rankings for field hockey teams by Express-Times

EASTON, Pa. (AP) — The field hockey rankings for PIAA teams, compiled by Tim Shoemaker of The Express-Times with information from sportswriters around the state. Schools are followed by district number and record through Monday and previous ranking: CLASS AAA=

1. Boyertown (3) 5-0 (5)
2. Emmaus (11) 3-0 (9)
3. Upper Moreland (1) 3-0 (8)
4. Council Rock (1) 3-1 (2)
5. Warwick (3) 2-0 (7)
6. Wissahickon (2) 2-0 (NR)
7. Methacton (1) 1-1 (1)

8. Crestwood (2) 4-0 (10)
9. Unionville (1) 4-1 (4)
10. West Chester Henderson (1) 4-0 (HM) HONORABLE MENTION=

Dallastown (3) 2-0, Downingtown (1) 3-0, Ephrata (3) 0-0, Hempfield (3) 2-0, Lower Dauphin (3) N/A, Neshaminy (1) 3-1, Palmyra (3) N/A, Plymouth-Whitemarsh (1) 2-0, Pocono Mountain (11) 2-0, Ridley (1) N/A, Souderton (1) 1-2, Wilson-West Lawn (3) 1-1-1, Wilkes-Barre Coughlin (2) 3-0. Notes: No. 1 Boyertown beat Wilson-West Lawn 4-0 Monday. ...

Emmaus jumps from No. 9 to No. 2 following a 4-0 win over Souderton and a number of losses by ranked teams. ...

No. 3 Upper Moreland outscored two opponents 9-0 last week. ... Wissahickon defeated Methacton 2-1. It was the first time the Warriors, previously No. 1, lost at home in three years. ...

Boyertown beat Council Rock on Diana Kuser's OT goal Saturday. ... Wilkes-Barre Coughlin beat last week's No. 1 Class AA team, Lake-Lehman, 2-1. CLASS AA=

1. Daniel Boone (3) 3-0 (3)
2. Middleburg (4) 2-0 (2)
3. Villa Maria (1) 2-0 (6)
4. Lake-Lehman (2) 1-1 (1)
5. Jenkintown (1) 1-1 (4)
6. Christopher Dock (1) 2-1
7. Hamburg (3) 3-0 (8)
8. Lehigh (11) 4-0 (9)

10. Selinsgrove (4) 2-0 (HM) HONORABLE MENTION=

Elco (3) 2-0, Gwynedd-Mercy (1) 2-1, Lancaster Mennonite (3) 1-1, Lewisburg (4) 3-0, Littlestown (3) 2-0, Octorara (1) 2-0, Oley Valley (3) 4-0-1, Radnor (1) N/A, Southern Lehigh (11) 4-0, Wyoming Seminary (2) 4-0.

Notes: Daniel Boone moves from No. 3 to No. 1 following Lake-Lehman's loss. ... Middleburg remains at No. 2. The Middes beat West Snyder 1-0 in OT. ... Villa Maria beat Christopher Dock 2-0. ...

No. 8 Lehigh beat Stroudsburg 10-0 Monday. ... Lackawanna Trail had an edge in shots, an edge in penalty corners and a goal disallowed in a 1-0 loss to Crestwood, No. 8 in Class AAA. ...

Middleburg, Selinsgrove and Lewisburg will play in Middleburg Tournament on Saturday.

## Nicholson named Player of Week

special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University senior Jim Nicholson (Woodlyn/Ridley) has been selected as the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Defensive Co-Player of the Week for his outstanding performance in the Mountaineers 18-0 win over SUNY-Cortland.

Nicholson, a 5-11, 180, cornerback had four tackles, all of them solo's and picked off two passes in the win. His first interception stopped a Cortland scoring drive deep inside Mountaineer territory.

Nicholson steeped in front of a pass at the MU three-yard line and returned it 63-yards to set up Mansfield's first score.

Late in the second quarter, Nicholson again picked off a pass at the MU-30 and returned it three-yards.

In his four seasons at Mans-



Photo provided

PSAC Player of Week Jim Nicholson

field, Nicholson now has 86 career tackles and nine interceptions.

The Mountaineers (1-0) will travel to New Haven, CT this Saturday to face the Southern Connecticut Owls (1-0).

## Stroble finishes third at meet

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University Mountaineer's men's cross country team finished fourth on Saturday, September 7 at the season opener at SUNY-Brockport.

Mountoursville's Randy Stroble finished third for Mansfield with a time of 28:11.37 over the five mile course.

The cross country meet was a four way invitational featuring teams, along with Mansfield, from Brockport, University of Rochester, and Houghton.

Also, for the Mountie's, Dana Vosburgh finished in 12th place overall, and Wilson Santiago finished in 19th place.

Last Saturday did not feature a full women's team due to problems with clearing, according to Mountaineer Head Cross Country Coach Jim Taylor.

One standout for the women's team, however, was freshman Jill Barron who finished in fourth place with a time of 21:27.89.

"This was not a good showing on our part last Saturday. We hope to do much better this Saturday at Lafayette" said Taylor.

Both teams will travel to the Lafayette Invitational this Saturday, September 14. Times are to be announced.



# My predictions for *Sports Views* baseball's extra season

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

Well, it's that time of the year again.

The time when all eyes shift to the baseball scene. Right now there are a couple of pennant races heating up for the stretch run.

In the National League West, the Los Angeles Dodgers and San Diego Padres are in a deadlock for first place.

At the deadline, the Dodgers were 78-64, while the Padres were 79-65. Colorado, who was hurt this year by their road record, 25-49, likely won't be making a return trip back to the play-offs.

Along with the Rockies, the San Francisco Giants won't be in the extra season. Their team couldn't get anything going all year, and will finish the season below the .500 mark.

In the National League Central, the St. Louis Cardinals and the Houston Astros are battling for the division title.

The Cardinals are 1 and 1/2 games ahead of the Astros with approximately 18 games left in the season. The also-runs in the Central are the Cincinnati Reds, the Chicago Cubs, and the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Cincinnati is the other team that won't be making a return appearance in the play-offs. After injuries to Reggie Sanders, Pete Schourek and Dave Burba, and not to mention the front office problems with Marge Schott, the Reds couldn't find a groove to fall into.

With the National League East, there really isn't too much to talk about except for the fact that the Atlanta Braves will win it again.

They are eight games in front of the Montreal Expos with still 18 games remaining.

Although the Expos are out of the picture for the division title, they are in a three way tie for the wild card slot. The Dodgers, Padres, and Expos are all knotted up atop the wild card standings.

In the American League East, the New York Yankees have been leading the race since June and their lead over the Baltimore Orioles was a high as 12 games.

Four months ago, when David Cone went down with an aneurysm in his pitching arm, the Yankees fell apart, and since their lead has dwindled down to three games. Now that Cone is back, look for the Yankees to finish strong. The Boston Red Sox, Toronto Blue Jays, and Detroit Tigers all went through the season with struggles and weren't able to get the ball rolling their way.

The division title is the American League Central and West are not anywhere near as close as the one in the East.

The Cleveland Indians ran away with the division right out of the gates and never looked back, and the Texas Rangers look to be in position to get into their first post-season in franchise history.

The Seattle Mariners were trying to pull off another Cinderella story like they did last year, but the injury to "The Big Unit" Randy Johnson, and an inexperienced pitching staff, killed those chances.

In the American League wild card race, the Chicago White Sox couldn't catch the Indians, but they could still make the second season.

Their lead over the Orioles is only one game at deadline. If they and the Orioles both finish tied, there will likely be a one game sudden death play-off for the final slot.

My predictions for the post season are simple. The Braves will make it to the NLCS against Cardinals. In that series, look for the Braves to shut down the red birds offense, and win it in five.

In the ALCS, the Yankees will meet up against the Indians. The Yankees will win it in six, and go to the World Series against the Braves. In that series, the Braves, unfortunately, will win the title again in six games.

John Smoltz not only gets the Cy Young Award, but the World Series Most Valuable Player Award.

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## Get ready for hockey season

by Patrick Manwiller  
sports reporter

As the World Cup of hockey is coming to a close, teams in the National Hockey League are going to be preparing for a long 82 game season.

Although many NHL players are using this tournament as a stepping stone towards the upcoming season, players are still going to have to work hard during training camp to be ready for the season.

While watching this tournament, I have noticed that even though it's an invitational tourny, the play is just as intense as in the National Hockey League.

Many expected this tournament to be a light hearted feeble attempt at competition. But it has caught many by surprise.

With the season starting in mid-October, National Hockey League fans should be ready for an exciting season. Last year was very exciting, but I'm expecting this year to be even more thrilling.

There have many key moves and many key signings that could change the way some teams perform.

Many expected Detroit to still be a powerhouse, but I'm looking at some underdogs to take control.

Florida has proved themselves, but one only knows if they were a fluke last season. They will have to prove they can perform again this year.

The Avalanche will be defending themselves with their Stanley Cup, so they will have to be one of the many

teams to watch.

Also, look for my favorite team, the Philadelphia Flyers to be a contender in the race for the Stanley Cup.

The Flyers have not added any real key players, but they are all now healthy. That was a key problem last year, not having a healthy squad.

Another bright spot for the Flyers is their goalie.

Veteran goaltender Ron Hextall is now signed and ready to see some action in the net. The Flyers also key signed key players Mikael Renberg and Eric Desjardins.

There has been some speculation that Dale Howerhuck might be retiring.

If this rumor proves to be true, the Flyers will be hurting for another full time center. I, myself, believe that this is just a rumor.

The Flyers are probably going to be a defensive minded team again this year. Terry Morray is going to expect a tight squad, so that they can actually make a run at the Cup.

Last year was a disappointing end to the Flyers season.

They ran into a tough team, but I personally just think that they were run down from the previous series.

Look for the Flyers to perform up to their potential. So get ready for the ride of a lifetime.

There's one thing about the National Hockey League season, you cannot count any team out until the season is over, so watch out for every team.

### Flashlight Athlete of the Week Lucas Smith



Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith scored two touchdowns in the Mountaineers first win, 18-0, of the season over SUNY-Cortland.



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# Former area student makes it big on Broadway

by Kate A. Griffith  
staff reporter

Editor's note: This article originally appeared in the Williamsport Sun-Gazette on June 6, 1996.

When Rodney Hicks left Mansfield University in the spring of 1994 to perform in "Mark Twain," the musical, he could have only dreamed that he would land a part in a Tony award-winning play within two years.

Hicks is one of 15 in the ensemble for "Rent" which won Tony awards this year for best musical, best book of a musical and best original score. "Rent" also won a featured actor in a musical award.

Leaving MU was an accident, Hicks said. He had planned to return to school in the fall of 1994, but his manager at the time told him he should stay in New York City, and that she would get him into New York University. When that fell through, Hicks returned to Philadelphia area home and attended a community college there.

In February 1995, Hicks returned to New York City with only \$100

in his pocket. He did five shows before he landed in "Rent." He was working in a show called "Dream Girls" when he was invited to audition for the national touring show of "Jesus Christ Superstar."

"They called me up after the audition and told me 'We want you in the show as Simon.' I couldn't believe it," Hicks said.

While working with Peter Sellars for "Jesus Christ Superstar," Sellars suggested that Hicks audition for and off-broadway show called "Rent."

"No one ever thought the show was going to be anything," Hicks said.

"Rent" opened off-broadway on Jan. 25 and closed on March 28. On April 16 "Rent" opened on Broadway to a standing-room only crowd.

"We all play important characters in the show," Hicks said. "I go from playing an angry homeless man, to a gay man with AIDS, to a flamboyant gay man. The critics say I'm really versatile."

It wasn't easy from the moment Hicks returned to New York City, though.

"For about a month I was

walking all over the city to get auditions and going without food," he said. "I wasn't homeless, but I didn't have any money."

Hicks believes that he paid his dues to land the part in "Rent."

The part has also opened up several opportunities for Hicks, including and HBO special he's working on now, and a Disney Show Workshop that is set to hit Broadway soon. Hicks will only participate in the workshop, not in the Broadway show.

"I plan to do a lot of other things while I'm in 'Rent,'" Hicks said. He will be in "Rent" for the next six months to a year.

Opportunities have been cropping up constantly for Hicks since "Rent" hit Broadway.

"People call the cast out of the woodwork now," he said. "We're treated like gold. As a young black man, I've always played the part of the 17- or 18-year-old hoodlums. Now I'm being offered parts I wouldn't have gotten before."

The 15 people in the ensemble for "Rent," which is about New York's east village, each get paid \$1,500 a week

to perform eight shows. Hicks says that doing the show so much gets a little tiring at times.

Hicks credits Michael Crum, theater professor at Mansfield University, with teaching him about discipline within the theater.

"I had no doubts about his talents and his diversity, but it is unusual to get that far so quickly," Crum said. He believes that Hicks' charisma is what helped him get ahead.

Crum, who saw "Rent" Memorial Day weekend, said that the show is outstanding and different than the revival trend that is sweeping most of Broadway.

"This is the first show I've ever seen that the audience stands up and cheers at the start of Act Two," Crum said.

"Rent" is being compared to such big trend-setting musicals as "Hair," Crum said. The musical deals with drug addicts, homosexuals and AIDS.

"It's a very dark subject matter with a rock score," Crum said. "You really get into the characters and care about them."

## New markets mean new opportunity for area firm

by Kate Griffith  
staff reporter

Mansfield - Sixteen years ago, Johnny Berguson and his wife, Juanita, started a company on faith and \$500 they borrowed with a credit card.

Today, that company is worth \$16 million.

The Bergusons started Kingdom Co. in 1980, selling horse training tapes. On those tapes, Johnny explained how to train a horse using the principles the Bible offers for raising children.

"We made a profit from the start," Johnny said. "Later I read that it was impossible to start a mail order company that you can live on."

Since then, Kingdom Co. has become one of the world's largest distributors of high-speed cassette duplicators, has made Inc. 500's list of fastest growing companies twice, and has even made an appearance in the Wall Street Journal.

It's also sold over 9,000 copies of the horse training tapes that started the company.

Johnny's father lent him the money to buy his own tape duplicators, and the business started on his father's kitchen table. Johnny paid his father 25 cents per tape he duplicated in order to

pay for the duplicator.

According to Johnny, a cassette duplicator can copy both sides of a 60 minute cassette in three minutes, and a 90 minute cassette in four minutes. They are used to record church services, conference speakers and the self-help tapes that are popular with infomercials, he said. The vast majority of music cassettes that are duplicated are done through a different process.

The Bergusons soon moved their business to the basement of their home, and then to an old church building on Route 6 in Mansfield.

In 1984, Johnny began selling blank cassette tapes to churches to save them money. Soon, the churches were requesting labels and boxes for the tapes. At that point, Johnny realized the need for his own print shop.

In 1993, Kingdom Co. moved to a new 15,000 square foot building near Mansfield. That is currently its only location, though Johnny can see the company having a warehouse elsewhere in the country in the future, just to make shipping easier.

Now, Kingdom has new projects on the table to open up to the Spanish-speaking market.

Daniel Mendonca, a recent Mansfield University graduate, is a

translator and primary sales person for the Spanish market. He has finished a small flyer to be inserted in the English catalogs, and by fall an entire Spanish catalog of tapes and electronics will be completed.

According to Gabrielle Ulmer, head of Kingdom marketing and advertising, there are some 5,000 Spanish-speaking churches in the United States. That doesn't include the churches that may be bilingual. And churches are the market that Kingdom especially targets.

"No one else is doing this," Ulmer said. "I don't see how it could not be a success."

Mendonca has worked at Kingdom for a year now in its computer assembly division. He met Johnny at a picnic, where he told Johnny that he had worked with computers in his homeland of Brazil. Kingdom needed another person in computers right away, so Mendonca received a job almost immediately.

He and Johnny discussed the possibility of doing a Spanish catalog a couple of times, but at a graduation celebration for Mendonca, the plans began to come together. Mendonca, whose native language is Portuguese, had a double major in Spanish and mass communication.

"If you have something to offer the company, they give you the opportunity to show it," Mendonca said. "You move along with the company."

That's what Johnny believes his company has to offer its employees - personal growth.

"I believe everyone will have more if they do what they do best," Johnny said.

According to Ulmer and Berguson, wages at Kingdom Co. are average to above average. Ulmer would say only that all of the 119 Kingdom Co. workers make well above minimum wage.

People from as far away as Florida, California and Texas have applied for jobs with the company.

Johnny believes that people from other states are attracted to Kingdom for several reasons. One is that the big company is not based in a city. The quality of the products is probably an issue, too, he said. The main reason he believes people want to work there is because it's a major business that is Christian owned and operated.

Harry Colegrove, who has worked in just about every department of the company in his eight years at Kingdom, believes that the work environment at the business is the best he's ever encountered.

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### Friday, September 13

7:30 pm Storytelling Festival in Straughn feature story at  
10:30 pm Ghost Story  
5 Star Dining at Manser  
10pm Zannibar at the Hut

### Saturday, September 14

1 pm Baseball plays University of Toronto in Shaute Field  
1 pm Field Hockey plays Brockport in Spaulding Field  
2 pm Children's stories in Straughn

3 pm "Random Acts of Kindness" in Straughn  
4 pm Special storytelling presentation in Straughn  
8 pm Feature Storytelling show in Straughn  
8 pm Movie in the Hut  
10 pm Zannibar in the Hut

### Sunday, September 15

8 am Sacred storytelling in the Hut  
10 am Baseball plays University of Toronto in Shaute Field

### Greek Rush Week starts

### Monday, September 16

12:01 am to 11:59 pm Have a nice day

### Tuesday, September 17

12:30 University Convocation in Steadman Theatre  
1 pm Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK Center -  
1 pm New student seminar in Allen Hall  
North hall celebration begins

10pm *The Show on the 22nd Floor* on WHTF

### Wednesday, September 18

7 to 11 pm Pool tournament in Memorial Hall  
9 pm MAC Coffeehouse in the Hut

### Thursday, September 19

1 pm International Discussion Hour in MLK Center  
5pm If Gallo is not working, he will be at *Flashlight*





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## North Hall grand opening celebrated last week

by Gene Yager  
news editor  
Katie Long  
staff reporter

The North Hall grand opening celebrations were held on September 17, 18, and 19th.

According to Stephen Bickham, chairperson of the Save North Hall committee, it was almost a complete success.

"The North Hall celebration was a nice way to start the year. It was a positive all university event. It featured North Hall which is perhaps the greatest facility the university has ever had,"

According to President Rod Kelchner, although many people did come to celebrate the opening of North Hall, he was disappointed in overall student attendance.

"The quality of the programs was so good that I think the students missed an opportunity," Kelchner said.

Musical performers at the grand opening included the Woodwind Ensemble, the Mansfieldians, the Jazz Ensemble, the String Quartet, and other groups.

"The quality of the performances was very high. They were all excellent," Bickham said.

Bickham was also impressed with the number of people willing to help out in the grand opening.

"It is truly amazing how many people worked on this" Bickham said.

About thirty people came to North Dining Hall dressed in 1890's outfits.

Of the four organizations entered in the costume contest, the Public Relations Society won.

"They looked good," Bickham said.

Students giving tours of North Hall were also dressed in 1890's garb.

Tour guides pointed out details such as the pattern of arches and the Victorian theme throughout the library.

According to Tisia Baynes, one of the student tour guides, the project cost over eleven million dollars. Plaques throughout the building recognize the contributors to the project.

According to Bickham, the sixth floor University Museum was also well attended.

"The Museum was so successful it is now being considered to be in-



Photo by Megan Sallade

Nick Ippoliti and Bob Ruben perform at the North Hall celebration.

corporated into the dedication," Bickham said.

While Bickham said that he appreciated all of the help people gave at the grand opening, he especially appreciated two groups involved.

"The buildings and grounds and custodial people did a lot of hard work for this and they were as cooperative as they could be. It is wonderful to work with them," Bickham said.

Fred Noye, during his North Hall comments, gave perhaps the best summary of what the grand opening meant to all involved.

"Our only wish is that those who follow will leave here with the same determination and love for this institution, to provide even greater opportunities for the generations of Mansfield Students yet to come" Noye said.

## One dead, another injured in Penn State tragedy Tuesday

Matthew E. Gallo  
copy editor

State College, Pa.- A Penn State University student was killed and a second injured when a gunman opened fire on the Penn State University campus at approximately 9:35 a.m. on September 17.

Killed in the shooting was Melanie Ann Spalla, 19 of Altoona, Pa. She was pronounced dead at the scene by Centre County Coroner Kerry Benninghoff.

Nicholas Mensah, 27, of Philadelphia was listed in fair condition with

a gunshot wound to his abdomen.

Three other students, who remained unidentified, escaped injury during the shooting spree. One student gave police a text book which had stopped a bullet in his backpack, campus police chief David Stormer said.

Police arrested 19 year old Jillian P. Robbins of State College. Robbins is currently being held in Centre Community Hospital with a knife wound to her left leg. The injury occurred when she was subdued by P.S.U. student Brendon Malovrh.

Stormer said Robbins told police she did not know any of the victims. He said she was not a student and her

motive or whereabouts during the hours prior to the shooting were unclear.

University President Graham Spanier called the shootings "an act of violence unprecedented in Penn State's history."

"Incidents like this happen all over America. No university is immune," Spanier said. "It's very uncharacteristic of the climate we feel we have here. It's a very sad moment for me, and for all of us."

According to the police report, Robbins allegedly fired five shots from a bolt action 7 mm Mauser rifle with a telescopic sight. She then paused to reload the weapon when Malovrh, a se-

nior from Downingtown, approached and began to wrestle the rifle from her. Robbins then slashed at Malovrh with a knife. Malovrh stepped back and on the follow through Robbins stabbed herself in the left leg. Malovrh then took off his belt and applied a tourniquet to Robbins' leg.

The police arrived on the scene and arrested Robbins. She was then rushed to Centre Community hospital. As of Tuesday evening she was listed in fair condition following surgery on the leg wound.

The District Attorney's office  
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## Convocation officially starts academic year with Russian prof

by Gene Yager  
news editor

Convocation, the official beginning of the school year, took place Tuesday September 17 in front of a packed audience in Steadman auditorium.

Keynote speaker and Mansfield University Professor Alexander Kubyskin thrilled students and faculty with a speech centered upon "Informatization in the Open Society".

Provost Joseph Moore introduced Kubyskin after welcoming transfer, international students, nursing students enrolled at Sayre, and all new freshmen to the university.

"As you lead us into the next century may what you learn here lead us wisely" Moore said.

"Today's celebration is a great

occasion not only for Mansfield University and Pennsylvania, but for all the friends of Mansfield everywhere-including Russia" Kubyskin said.

He went on to praise North Hall.

"Because North Hall is not only a new library in a wonderful old building, but it is a new center for informatization and for the increasing of mutual cooperation among different universities, countries, and peoples," Kubyskin said.

Finally he discussed some Russian views of life. According to Kubyskin, there is a Russian saying that says to be happy a man must have three things- a German car, American Jazz, and a Russian wife.

President Rod Kelchner was especially impressed by Kubyskin's  
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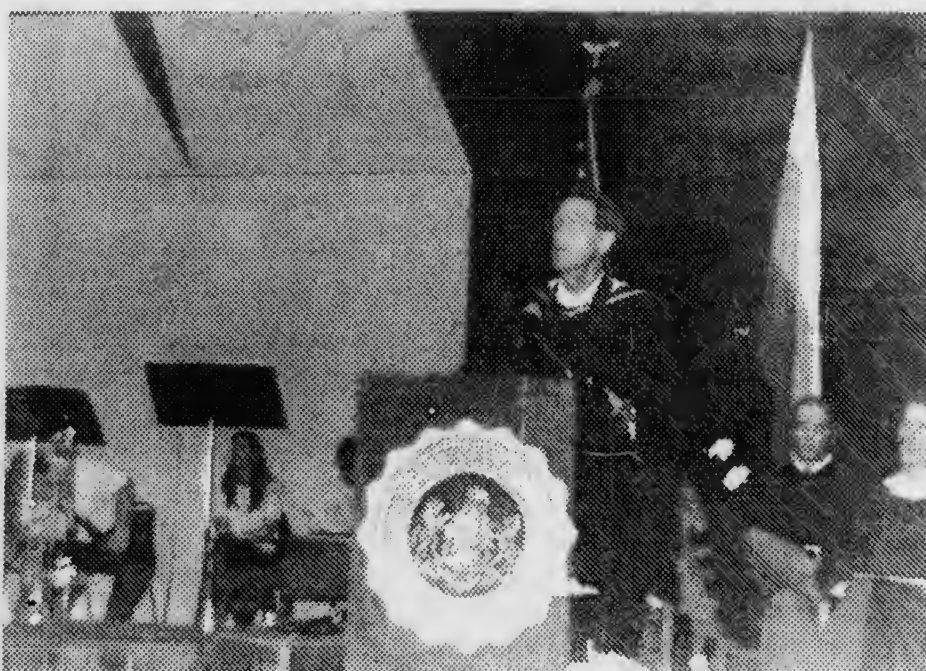


Photo by Katie Long

President Kelchner officially opens the academic year at convocation.



## Campus Voices

by Megan Sallade

Q. "Are you going the Fabulous 1890's Weekend?  
Why or why not?"



**Judith Burdick**  
sophomore

"Yes I am, and I'm taking my parents with me, and I'm looking for a fun and educational day at Mansfield."



**Melody Pina**  
Sophomore

"Yes, to see the reenactment of the football game."



**Stephanie Durkin**  
Sophomore

"Yes, to support school spirit."



**Irine Levenberg**  
Senior

"Yes, for MISO."

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is awaiting Robbins' release from the hospital to proceed with the arraignment process. They expect the arraignment to be held today, with District Justice Carmine Prestia presiding.

Centre County District Attorney Ray Gricar stated in a telephone interview that he would personally be prosecuting the case.

"I will be trying for the death penalty," Gricar said.

In the criminal complaint filed against Robbins, she is being charged with one count of Murder of the First Degree, and one count of Murder of the Third Degree, in connection with the slaying of Spalla.

Robbins is also being charged with aggravated assault and attempted first degree murder in the shooting of Mensah.

For attempting to stab Malovrh she will be charged with aggravated assault and attempted first degree murder.

Finally, she will be charged with three counts of aggravated assault and three counts of attempted first degree murder for shooting at the three as yet unidentified students.

According to Pennsylvania law a Capital crime is committed when certain conditions are met. One of the conditions states "In the commission of the offense the defendant knowingly created a grave risk of death to another person in addition to the victim of the murder."

Gricar stated that his office would be using that statute in prosecuting for the death penalty.

While police released little information on Robbins, neighbors and acquaintances have provided some details. The daughter of a U.S. Army Reserve coordinator and a professor at Penn State's Harrisburg campus, Robbins dropped out of DuBois Area High School in December 1994 in the middle of her senior year.

Robbins was a former Army Reservist who married last year and moved to State College. According to Kathryn Park, Robbins and her husband Kenneth Williams moved into an apartment rented by Park in August 1995. She moved out in February of this year when the marriage apparently began to un-

ravel.

Her most recent job was at a Uni-Mart store in near by Boalsburg. According to co-workers Robbins had been undergoing counseling of some kind and had checked in and out of treatment centers.

Robbins was discharged from the U.S. Army Reserve in June 1995. She had been serving with the 446 Quartermaster Company, Bellefonte, according to Major Greg Yesko, public affairs officer for the 99th Regional Support Command.

Robbins was a split-option soldier, meaning she had attended basic training prior to high school graduation, Yesko said.

After high school, Robbins was not eligible to enlist in the reserves and was discharged. She was discharged because she had not completed enough high school courses for enlistment, Yesko said.

Reaction at Penn State was that of shock and disbelief. Sue Gibson and Harriet Dickey-Chasins of the Counseling and Psychological Services were summoned to the Henderson Building to help the witnesses cope with the shock.

Gibson said the prevailing sentiment was, "that could've been me."

"There were so many people walking across. It was prime time for people walking to 9:45 class," said witness Edi Sczathmary. "It looked kind of random. Could've been, like, anyone. There were so many people around."

Other students had an extremely hard time believing it really happened.

"I didn't think something like this could happen here. Gunshots are the last thing you'd think of hearing," John Kim, a junior from Blue Bell, Pa. said.

Senior Anna Wasdyke, a New Jersey native echoed Kim's sentiments.

"It's a little bit of a shock when it happens here," she said.

Spanier also said that a memorial service is tentatively planned for next week.

This is the first murder at Penn State since a student was stabbed to death in the Pattee Library stacks in 1969.

*Editors note: Some of this material came from Associated Press stories and the Centre Daily Times.*

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speech.

"I thought it was timely," Kelchner said. "I thought he was especially sensitive to his audience. He said some things to cause us to reflect and he said some things to cause us to chuckle."

SGA president Mark Smith spoke at Convocation and enjoyed Kubyskin's speech as well.

"I really enjoyed Kubyskin's speech," Smith said. "It is really nice to get the feeling of the official beginning of the semester."

Kubyskin concluded his speech with a gift he hoped would increase informatization for students at Mansfield.

"And now, as a symbol of our friendship and cooperation, let me offer to your new North Hall library a gift of several books written by scholars at Volgograd State University and published by our university press, and let me offer me two of my own books" Kubyskin said. "Let these books deepen the process of informatization and lead to better understanding of our common goals for the future."

## The Flashlight wants you

We would like to invite anyone interested in helping out at the *Flashlight*. The *Flashlight* is made up of students like you and we are always looking for people to help fill up that box on the left. So if you're interested, stop by the *Flashlight* office at 217 Memorial Hall and talk to one of our editors.

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# Giant 89 receives approval for upgrade

by Katharine Lucey  
staff reporter

Mansfield University's student radio station, 89.5 WNTS, will soon become the second largest college radio station in the state after it receives a long anticipated upgrade sometime during this academic year.

After increasing its wattage from 115 watts to 3000 watts, WNTS, referred to as Giant 89, will be able to be heard far outside of town, said Jeff Burr, WNTS general manager.

Nearby cities like Elmira and Corning, N.Y. and Williamsport, P.A. should be able to get good reception of the station, said Nancy P. Corbo, alternative music director for the station.

According to Dr. Priscilla Travis, WNTS advisor, in order to make the upgrade happen, the station will have to purchase a 99 foot communication tower and a new transmitter.

"The Communication department is very excited about the new tower because of the opportunities it can give the college and the communication students," Travis said.

This upgrade will allow 89.5 to be a better communication tool by featuring the news, class cancellations, sports coverage, weather forecasts, mu-

sic, and by advertising campus activities, to a wider listening audience Burr said.

According to program director of the station Melissa Enama, before the station can actually increase its wattage, it must first purchase the equipment needed for the upgrade.

"The upgrade has been approved, but the actual date hasn't been established because we (radio station) don't have the equipment yet," Enama said.

Some of the equipment the station needs to purchase in addition to the tower and transmitter is a shed for the transmitter, needles, fiberoptics, and audimation equipment, said Enama.

According to Corbo, the members of WNTS are very excited about the upgrade.

"We have all spent years working really hard for this upgrade and it's refreshing to see all that effort pay off," Corbo said.

According to Corbo, who has worked at the radio station for five semesters, the station was able to convince the university to give WNTS the money for the upgrade by improving their content and quality of programming.

Improvements were made by monitoring student radio programs and by offering a various array of music,



photo by Brent MacCallus

Giant 89's production director and disc jockey Vincent Simmons broadcasts a radio show.

Corbo said.

"The station will become the second most powerful college radio station in Pennsylvania, and also the most diverse, featuring all types of music," Brian Bair, assistant general manager of WNTS said.

WNTS believes that the upgrade will also benefit the university in whole by making Mansfield University more well known.

"By increasing our coverage area, it will be a great public relations tool for our school and it will help get events noticed and attract new students," Burr said.

According to Burr, the greater broadcasting radius should also help attract new advertisers and increase the station's overall revenue and allow it to be financially self-sufficient.

## Speaker addresses MU about AIDS awareness



photo by Brent MacCallus

Michael Ridgeway spoke at MU on Thursday evening about AIDS awareness.

by David O'Brien  
staff reporter

Memorial Hall was host to guest speaker and originator of the "Dream Ride" for AIDS Foundation, Michael Ridgeway, of Lancaster, PA. on Thursday evening.

What began with an introduction to the organization and its brief history proved to be an hour of societal issues surrounding AIDS awareness.

Ridgeway addressed the audience on the "Dream Ride" Foundation's charter of being an HIV/AIDS pro-active group, promoting knowledge of non-medical issues such as the importance of self-esteem and taking responsibility for one's own actions.

"Any situation where self-esteem is affected puts you at risk,"

Ridgeway said.

According to Ridgeway, in the course of a year he has talked with over 15,000 people on his trip across country.

According to Ridgeway, the "Dream Ride" Foundation is responsible for having covered over 13,000 miles on its bicycling campaign. The primary objective of the foundation is fostering knowledge through a representative not directly affected by AIDS.

Aside from his objective as an educator, Ridgeway said that as the average traveler he was able to gain a common ground with people he met along the way.

According to Ridgeway, in his travels he noticed the irony of harmony in nature and posed the age-old question if animals can get along, why can't we? Through these efforts the foundation has

gained invaluable new contacts with organizations in their infancies having similar goals.

According to Ridgeway, the AIDS virus hasn't changed, only the people's perspective and its treatment have.

"The greatest obstacles were fear and not wanting to hear about AIDS," Ridgeway said.

The foundation's originator believes that the bottom line in understanding the virus is not only common sense, but knowing absolutely everything one can.

Ridgeway will be once again be representing the "Dream Ride" Foundation in participating in "The Road To The Quilt," the national display of the AIDS Quilt made of 45,000 panels, beginning on the Columbus Day weekend in the Washington Mall.

## All University Dance featured at North Hall celebration

by Karen Dunlap  
staff reporter

The North Hall Grand Opening Committee held the first ever All University Dance on September 12 in Alumni Hall.

According to Dr. Stephen Bickham, Chairperson of the Grand Opening Committee, William Yost, Vice President of Administration and Finance, started the Grand Opening and Dedication Committee's. The planning process began in March of 1996.

Stephanie Behe, senior travel and tourism major, was chosen as the only student member on the committee. She is also president of the all residence hall council.

"It's been fun," Behe said. "We've all been working together. A lot of students have also been helping me out."

The participants who took part were an enthusiastic crowd.

"It's fun," said Misty Blowers,

Mansfield University student. "I like the mixture of dances. They aren't just playing the 50's and 60's music."

"A lot of time and effort went into the dance," said Rob Thomas, MU student. "I wish the attendance was higher. Whoever put it together deserves an A."

According to Behe, most of the residence assistants helped set up.

"Mark Renner (an R.A.) helped teach us how to do the balloon display around the door ways," Behe said.

The night started off slow, but as the night went on people started filtering in. The strobe lights rolled across the floor, while students laughed and threw balloons around.

"I am happy now (that) it's happening," Behe said.

The atmosphere was a cross between the psychedelic 60's and the poodle shirt 50's. Bickham said that this dance will become part of the nostalgia and history of the university.

"Alumni Hall will eventually be the new Student Union and, for the



photo by Brent MacCallus

MU students dancing at the all university dance, as part of the North Hall celebration, this past Thursday in Alumni Hall.

first time, the old library," Bickham said. "It features the positive things that are happening at Mansfield."

This dance can become the starting point for many new activities.

"If the all university dance, becomes a tradition a lot of the students will have to take an active part in keeping it going," Behe said.



# Annual Fabulous 1890's weekend gets underway today

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

This weekend Mansfield will step into the past as the fifth annual Fabulous 1890's Weekend celebration gets under way.

The festival, which will run from Sept. 20 to 22 downtown in Mansfield's Smythe Park, should be the biggest ever according to Scott A. Miller, Mansfield University's public relations writer/editor.

According to Scott Miller, the 1890's Weekend celebration revolves around Mansfield's annual reenactment of the world's first night football game which took place in Mansfield on Sept. 28, 1892.

The original game, which was between Mansfield University and Wyoming seminary, will once again be reenacted by members of the local chapter of Alpha Chi Rho.

"Every year we get national publicity from it (the football reenact-

ment)," said Dennis Miller, Mansfield University public relations director.

The original game was played to a 0-0 tie on a field that was covered with holes and animal droppings.

Admission to all of the weekend festivities is free with the purchase of a \$2 Fabulous 1890's Weekend Button which will allow people to go to any event they want, Scott Miller said.

Some of the other highlights of this weekend will be a motorless parade, wild west demonstrations and fireworks, Scott Miller said.

Also being featured this weekend will be the Pennsylvania State Police Mounted Color Guard, Can-Can Girls, Professor Marvel and his amazing magical feats and a reenactment of the Tom Thumb Wedding originally staged by P.T. Barnum.

Debating this year will be the first annual Fireman's Bucket Brigade.

"It (the brigade) will probably turn out to be one of the most popular things we will do," Dennis Miller said.

In addition to these events, other features will include a tent revival, a children's area and the Fabulous 1890's Duck Race. There will also be free entertainment, crafts, food and music Scott Miller said.

According to Dennis Miller, the audience's reaction to the events determines what comes back for the next 1890's weekend.

"We keep learning as we go," Dennis Miller said.

Another new aspect of the 1890's festival will be the phasing out of tents in favor of stands and tables, Dennis Miller said.

"We have gone to a more street festival type of thing this year," Dennis Miller said.

According to Dennis Miller, 1890's Weekend has been a good tool for advertising for Mansfield University.

"It (the festival) has been very helpful for getting the word about Mansfield University out there," Dennis Miller said.



Photo provided

Pictured above is professor Marvel, one of the entertainers at 1890's weekend. 1890's weekend will run from September 20th through the 22nd, and will feature an assortment of games and activities.

## Accused gunman had series of mental problems

Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

Nineteen year old former Army Reservist Jillian Pekkanen Robbins, was undergoing psychiatric treatment and had threatened to kill herself when she allegedly shot one person and wounded another at Penn State on Sept. 17.

She has been described as "a gifted artist who kept to herself but who had a troubled life," according to Centre Daily Times newspaper online profile by Jim Mackinnon.

She married Kenneth Walter Williamson on August 1, 1995. The marriage failed within months and she separated from her husband, according to their former landlady, Kathryn Park.

"I don't think she's a monster. I think she's a troubled girl. I feel really bad for her and the people who are hurt," Park told the Centre Daily Times.

She also described Robbins as quiet and gentle, although she cannot and does not want to defend what she did.

"There's no excuse for killing people, ever," said Park.

Robbins most recent job was in a Uni-mart, friends reported to the CDT.

"They said Jillian was distraught over a relationship that broke up," said Peter W. Koelle, an Uni-Mart employee.

Robbins served in the 446 Quartermaster Company, Bellafonte of the US Army Reserves, and was discharged in June for failure to complete the required high school courses for enlistment, reported the CDT.

Friends of Robbins from DuBois Area High School were quoted by the Courier Express as describing

Robbins as an "individual" who was unusually fond of military clothing.

She moved to State College in December 1994, presumably to join her mother who was employed as an instructor at Penn State University, the paper said.

PSU Police stated that the "defendant spoke very clearly and was coherent." She admitted to shooting five shots and said she saw two people fall.

Police reported that the defendant said she "decided to do it" at 6:30 AM on Sept 17, although her reasons behind the crime are still unknown."

## Funding discussed at SGA meeting

by Stephanie R. DeNicola  
staff reporter

At the weekly Student Government Association meeting held Monday at 8 p.m. in 204 Memorial Hall, the main topic of discussion revolved around university funding of The Fellowship, a religious organization on campus.

The Fellowship and university funding of the organization were debated because of wording in the organization's constitution which concerns "the worship of Jesus Christ."

Although representatives of The Fellowship said that students and faculty of any religion or belief are welcome to join the club and attend its activities, several senators as well as Vice President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco did not agree with the wording of the request for funding itself.

"A portion of every student's activity fee goes towards each club's funding," Maresco said. "Therefore, an agnostic or atheist student, for example, may have a problem having their money go towards a club whose beliefs they do not agree with."

The debate came to a close after a senator pointed out a section of the SGA constitution that says they cannot give funding to any club or organization

whose basis is religious. After a vote was taken, the senators decided against giving The Fellowship funding.

In other business, the organizational fair, which is scheduled for September 24 between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m., weather permitting, was discussed. The fair will give campus clubs an opportunity to gain recognition by letting the organizations set up an informative table in opportunity for any campus clubs to have a table in the South Hall Mall.

Also discussed were the Freshmen senator elections held on Wednesday and Thursday. There were openings for eight new senators and there were seven applicants to choose from in addition to the inclusion of a space for write ins.

Another senator suggested that SGA should have a TV show on the campus network twice a week.

In other news, 50 laptops were delivered recently to North Hall for student use but due to technical problems, students have not been able to access them. SGA believes it will be another two to three weeks before they are made available.

Alcohol Awareness Week is scheduled for October 21 through October 25. All Residence Hall Council donated \$495 for the program and challenged SGA to fund the week as well. More discussion on this will be at the next meeting.

## Police Beat

### Police beat

9/13/96

12:30 Complainant reported his bomber jacket was stolen.

9/14/96

11:00 Student had parking permit revoked for the semester as student had more than seven tickets this semester. Student referred to campus judicial system.

9/15/96

8:10 A small bag of suspected marijuana was found outside of Cedarcrest.

9/16/96

21:50 Complainant said he received a phone call saying that he had an overdue library book. The caller requested that complainant provide his social security number. The complainant complied and checked with

the library. The library had no record of the problem.

9/17/96

11:40 Hit and run accident was reported. A vehicle was parked on Laurel B drive and was struck by a passing vehicle.

13:47 Student had parking permit revoked for the semester as student had more than seven tickets this semester. Student referred to campus judicial system.

17:25 Tree branch fell on a car parked on Straughn Drive.

**Campus police safety tip: Be smart- watch out for phone scams! Never give out personal information over the phone or to anyone you don't know. Guard personal information such as credit card and ATM card numbers, social security numbers, date of birth and bank account numbers. Help prevent fraud!**

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# Campus Bulletin Board

## FLASHLIGHT

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## Orgazational Fair!!

The Student Government Association's "Orgazational Fair" has been rescheduled to Tuesday, Sept. 24, 4-6 pm, in the Student Mall. Come find out what some of the organizations on campus are all about, when they meet, and how to join them.

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1997-98 Student Teachers Pre-registration Meeting  
Any student expecting to do their student teaching in the Fall of 1997 Semester or Spring 1998 Semester must attend the pre-registration meeting according to the following schedule:

### Art Education

When: Sept. 26, 1996  
Where: Allen Hall Room 111  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

### Music Education

When: Sept. 24, 1996  
Where: Butler Center Room 102  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

### Elementary and Secondary Education

When: Sept. 12, 1996  
Where: Allen Lecture Hall  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

### Special Education

When: Sept. 19, 1996  
Where: Retan Center G-5  
Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm

Attendance Required  
All applications must be complete and turned in to the Field Experience Office by Oct. 4, 1996 to facilitate student teaching in 1997-98.

## MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

DON'T MISS OUT ON ALL THE EXCITEMENT! MARK THESE DATES DOWN ON YOUR THINGS TO DO LIST: 1890'S WEEKEND, SEPT. 20-22, ORGANIZATIONAL FAIR, SEPT. 24, HOMECOMING, OCT. 4-6, NORTH HALL DEDICATION, OCT. 26, AND PARENTS/FAMILY DAY, NOV. 2.

**Attentions Organizations!!**  
**Organizations Annual Recognition Forms** (i.e. List of officers, date/time of meetings, etc.) are due in the Student Affairs Office, 516 North Hall, by Sept. 30. Don't be left out of the **Directory of Student Organizations** which will be printed in early October.

Phi Beta Lambda, Mansfield University's business fraternity, will start their rush week on Monday, Sept. 23. The schedule is as follows: Info. Night, Monday, 9:15, Meet the Brothers, Tuesday, 8:15, Skit Night, Wednesday, 8:15, Pool Night, Thursday, 8:15. All activities are held in the Cabaret Room in Memorial Hall except for Pool Night which is held in Upper Memorial. Friday bids go out. Please come and see what we're all about.

## WE'VE MOVED!

THE OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS HAS MOVED FROM 120 PINECREST HALL TO 516 NORTH HALL. MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY WHO NEED INFORMATION ABOUT STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS OR HOW TO START ONE WHO WANT TO RESERVE SPACE IN MANSER LOBBY OR THE NORTH DINING ROOM, WHO NEED TO HAVE SIGNATURES APPROVING CCSI PAYMENT VOUCHERS, WHO WANT INFORMATION ABOUT OR TO SIGN UP FOR STUDENT HEALTH/ACCIDENT INSURANCE WHO WANT TO REQUEST A DINING EXEMPTION OR WHO JUST WANT TO TALK WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS ABOUT A STUDENT ISSUE PLEASE COME UP TO 516 NORTH HALL (ENTER NORTH HALL THROUGH THE WEST ENTRANCE OPPOSITE MEMORIAL HALL AND TAKE THE "EXPRESS" ELEVATOR TO THE FLOOR. WE'RE JUST ON YOUR RIGHT AS YOU EXIT THE ELEVATOR

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## Pennsylvania in the News

### Coming Soon: A house of trash in Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Forget push-button dinner service à la "The Jetsons." The homes of the future will be built from old paint cans, wrecked cars, soda bottles, milk cartons and junk mail, and their toilets won't flush.

The model "green community" house displayed Tuesday at the National Recycling Coalition's 15th Annual Congress and Exposition, however, looked nothing like a tar-paper shack. In fact, the four-room home inside the David L. Lawrence Convention Center appears fairly typical at first glance.

But recycled materials abound: coated, compressed paper in roofing sheets; plastic bottles in carpet, clothing, futon fill and table tops; rubber tires in sneakers; crushed glass in bathroom tiles; circuit boards in coasters; and even a toilet that makes compost of human waste.

"We're not talking about waste; we're talking about commodities," is the mantra of coalition President Mark Lichtenstein. The coalition is based in Alexandria, Va.

About 2,100 executives, government officials and industry interests visited Pittsburgh this week for the largest national gathering of recyclers to talk about the growing business.

The challenge no longer is persuading communities to sort their trash, Lichtenstein said. The problem is finding somebody to reuse the materials.

About 20,000 towns and counties have some form of recycling, with 8,100 of them picking it up at the curb, he said. That's up from 600 in 1988. In most areas, about 75 percent of residents participate, keeping around 25 percent of trash out of landfills.

"When you think about it, this is all our tin cans we're emptying out the contents of and throwing away," said Pittsburgh Mayor Tom Murphy as he stood next to the model home's beams, made in part from recycled scrap metals.

Steel two-by-fours are cheaper than those made of wood, he said. They resist termites and fires, hold their shape longer, create less construction waste and can be

recycled again.

Murphy had reason to praise the home: The Steel Recycling Institute is headquartered in Pittsburgh.

Misconceptions keep many people from outfitting their homes and offices with recycled materials, and manufacturers, in turn, hesitate to declare that their products have old stuff in them, said Carl Hursh, recycling chief at the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection.

More than 40 percent of all carpeting is made of soda bottles, he said, and many napkins, paper towels and toilet paper include reused paper.

"Consumers have a perception that something recycled might not be clean," Hursh said.

Businesses are catching on, though, said Bill Meng, who works for The Southern Co., an Atlanta-based electric utility. He also helps run the coalition's Buy Recycled Business Alliance.

The alliance works through state environmental regulators to explain to businesses how to save money by using recycled products. Its membership, including McDonald's, WalMart, Anheuser-Busch and Coca-Cola, has grown to more than 3,000 in three years, Meng said.

Meng said his company saved \$500,000 last year by switching to high quality recycled products in equipment such as transformer pads, tires and even copier toner cartridges.

The Southern Co. also made money by selling as much as \$3 million worth of fly ash, the soot that once was spewed into the air by coal-powered electric generators, he said. About one-fourth of the 100 million tons produced each year is used to strengthen concrete and roadbeds, he said.

"It's a problem because we have a lot, and it has very valuable uses, and people don't know how to use it," Meng said.

Individuals must take their commitments to recycle from the curb to the grocery store if they want to encourage manufacturers to use their old bottles and cans, Lichtenstein said.

### Man kills ex-wife, her fiance, then himself

LEWISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Ron Golder's life was falling to pieces and he didn't want to end it alone.

So just before shooting himself in the head, police said, he gunned down his estranged wife's fiance Sunday. He then kidnapped and killed his wife, a former newspaper reporter and borough councilwoman.

Dead are Golder, 42, Robin Golder, 35, and her live-in fiance, Dominick Giorgi Jr., a 39-year-old pharmacist.

Described as a devoted and energetic mother, Robin Golder had recently started a business, the Wellspring Whole Life Education Center, described as a New Age therapeutic center.

The Golders leave three young sons — ages 5, 8 and 11.

## DuPont lawyers quitting over 'conspiracy theory'

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Two lead defense attorneys for murder suspect John E. du Pont quit Monday after a judge said they didn't need her permission to withdraw.

Richard Sprague and William Lamb, in a petition filed last week, said their client fired them because he thought they were conspiring with the judge, prosecutors and the CIA.

Delaware County Common Pleas Judge Patricia Jenkins dismissed the petition, saying her approval was unneeded because du Pont has two other able attorneys — retired Common Pleas Judge Joseph Labrum Jr. and Taras Wochok, who has served as du Pont's lawyer for years.

Geoff Johnson, a lawyer in Sprague's Philadelphia firm, said staying on the case would have been difficult for the prominent defense attorney.

"It would have been impossible to maintain any kind of working relationship with his client," he said.

A spokesman for Delaware County District Attorney Patrick Meehan did not immediately return a call for comment.

Du Pont, 57, heir to a family chemical fortune, is accused of fatally shooting Olympic gold-medalist wrestler David Schultz, 36, on du Pont's Foxcatcher Estate in Newtown Square on Jan. 26. He was arrested two days later after a stand-off with police.

Schultz, a former Oklahoma wrestler who lived with his wife and two children in a house on the estate, had been training and coaching at du Pont's world-class sports complex. Prosecutors have never given a motive for the shooting.

Du Pont faces a hearing in Jenkins' court Friday to see if he is mentally competent to stand trial 10 days later.

Wochok said Monday that he had tried to persuade Sprague and Lamb to stay on the case.

"I'm not sure what's going to happen next. We're just going to have to wait and see what happens. I think that the efforts are going to continue to find other counsel, and both personally and from Mr. du Pont's standpoint, I would have hoped that Mr. Sprague and Mr. Lamb would continue in the case," Wochok said.

Judges in some similar cases have refused to let attorneys withdraw, Wochok said. He said he and Labrum were not hired as lead attorneys.

While lawyers and clients sometimes part ways, Johnson said, Sprague has never before left a case under these circumstances.

"I do hope that whatever lawyer comes in picks up the threads of what has gone before. The groundwork is there to do some real good things in the defense," Johnson said.

Du Pont's lawyers have not formally declared whether they will follow an insanity defense. They repeatedly have said their client does not understand the legal processes surrounding his case.

A defense psychiatrist testified last month that du Pont believes he is the American Dalai Lama, the Christ child, the heir to the Third Reich, the president of the Soviet Union and the last Russian czar.

In the wake of his attorneys' move to leave the case last week, du Pont's relatives asked a Delaware County family court to declare him mentally incapacitated and to allow his sister and nephew to assume control of his personal, financial and legal affairs.

## Armed robbers apprehended in bank heist by waiting officers

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — You are cordially invited to a bank heist.

Two North Carolina men didn't go quite that far in letting on that they planned to rob a bank, police said, but they had been so obvious in casing the place that officers were on the scene Saturday when the pair made their move.

Reggie Dula and Tyreek Davon Ramseur, both 22, were caught as they tried to flee after holding up the United Savings Bank in South Philadelphia at 9:10 a.m., police said.

One of the suspects was wearing a bulletproof vest and carrying an Uzi; the other had a revolver, detectives said.

They had been so obvious in casing the bank last week — they came in twice in two days and acted suspiciously — that tellers called police on Thursday.

More than a dozen officers staked out the bank on Friday and Saturday, waiting for the men.

"The girls in the bank said they knew something was brewing for them," said Louie Cimini, who was working at his

friend's newspaper stand a few yards from the bank.

As the duo attempted to flee on a motorcycle, police rammed them, knocking them off the bike, Cimini said. Detectives then converged on the suspects. No shots were fired.

Shoppers near a produce truck said red-stained money blew around the street when dye capsules exploded in the bank satchel after the pair crashed. Police took one of the suspects to St. Agnes Medical Center for burn wounds to his right leg. The burns were caused by the exploding dye packets, police said.

Dula and Ramseur were charged with one count each of bank robbery, FBI spokeswoman Linda Vizi said Sunday. The pair were being held in federal custody and were scheduled for an initial appearance Monday before a U.S. magistrate.

Officials did not have information on the suspects' hometowns.

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## Fugitive hippie surrenders

XENIA, Ohio (AP) — Manny the Hippie faces a judge today to answer the accusation that he violated probation on a drug conviction. The Haight-Ashbury hippie who gained fame on "Late Show with David Letterman" has strong feelings about the outcome.

"I hope it comes out diggity dank," said Manny. Translation: He hopes it comes out quite good.

Manny, whose real name is Micah Papp, took Letterman on a tour of San Francisco's Haight-Ashbury district and exposed him to street lingo such as "schwag" (bad), "dank" (good) and "diggity dank."

Papp, 20, turned himself in to the Greene County prosecutor's office Monday and was jailed.

"I knew they would eventually get hip and see me on TV and say let's go get him," Papp said at a news conference before surrendering. "But it was a chance worth taking. At least now I have a career."

But Papp fears his "career" — negotiations to appear on "Saturday Night Live," MTV and several television commercials, and plans to audition for a movie — will be ruined if he is im-

prisoned.

Papp was accused of selling a small amount of marijuana to an undercover policeman when he lived in Ohio in 1995. Last March, he was sentenced to five years' probation after pleading guilty to trafficking in marijuana.

Mark Adkins, a prosecutor's investigator, said Papp violated his probation by moving to California without the court's permission. Adkins said a probation department employee spotted Papp on the show.

Papp said he was arrested in San Francisco after he received a ticket for skateboarding. Since he was wanted in Ohio, he went to jail and served eight days before being released on bond.

Papp's attorney, John Rion, said he hopes Common Pleas Judge Thomas Rose allows Papp to serve his probation in California. But Rion said Rose could sentence Papp to 18 months in prison.

"Our objective is to keep him out of prison," Rion said. "He came back voluntarily at his own expense to surrender himself to demonstrate he is even a better person now."

## Student, 80, too young to give in

GARY, Ind. (AP) — At an age when most people would rather be fishing or knitting, Marjorie Scott is embarking on a college career.

Scott, 80, is the oldest student to pursue a bachelor's degree at Indiana University Northwest, school officials said.

"It is such a joy and a rarity to see someone who is starting college for the first time at that age," said admission director Bill Lee.

"Most people at the age of 80 you would think would be interested in fishing or knitting or doing something other than starting college."

Four of the 5,301 students enrolled last fall were over the age of 65.

Scott, shooting for a fine arts degree, said there is no age limit to learning.

"If you don't do something you can just lose interest in a lot of things, and your mind wanders," she said. "I am not ready to give up. I want to keep living until I can't."

Her art teacher, associate professor Dave Klamen, said his oldest student is conscientious and adds to the educational experience for others.

"I think that it seems like a good thing

we have people with wide age ranges in class," he said. "We all need to learn, and we all benefit from learning no matter who we are or when it is in our lives."

Scott has been an inspiration to some of her classmates.

"I sometimes think, 'I'm 22, what am I going to do with my life?'" said junior Michael Jones of DeMotte. "And then I see someone so much older, and it gives me a gleam of hope that I'm not so much worried about my future."

Melissa Kaluzny of Valparaiso sits next to Scott in art class.

"I think it is wonderful when I see older people on campus because life is about learning and growing," she said.

"The big thing for me is, I am always encouraging my mother and mother-in-law to go back to school, and they are always saying, 'I'm too old. It's too late.'"

Scott was encouraged to enroll by her daughter, Carole Holcomb, the coordinator of career beginnings at IUN.

"We are excited," Holcomb said. "She has talked about this all of her life. Now she is here. We want her to be as successful as she believes we are."

## GWU questions rating as No. 2 party school

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's after dark at the nation's "No. 2 party school" and students are jamming to loud music, chugging beer after beer and figuring out where they might sleep that night.

Actually, they're not. They're sitting in small groups, walking quietly along tree-lined streets and wondering how George Washington University got rated No. 2.

"That's a complete crock," said Colin Gold, a senior from New Orleans. "There is no way we can beat any Southern state school."

But George Washington beat all but one, according to the Princeton Review's "Ad-

vantage Guide to the Best 310 Colleges." Only Florida State University is a bigger partying school.

"I'm like, OK, if we're No. 2, where's all the parties?" asked junior Liz Foster. "Maybe I'm out of the loop."

If they don't like their ranking, students have only one another to blame. The ratings are based on surveys of students themselves.

The guide notes that GW students study just two hours a day, "reaffirming the school's reputation as a party school."

Evidently, that reputation hasn't made its way to campus.

## Is date rape drug 90's version of Mickey Finn?

HOUSTON (AP) — An illegal "date rape" drug is being dispensed clandestinely at Gulf Coast nightclubs as a clear liquid in designer water bottles.

As many as 30 people have overdosed on Gamma y-hydroxybutyrate — better known as GHB — and been treated in hospital emergency rooms in the past six months, according to Houston Poison Control reports.

The depressant is blamed in last month's death of La Porte High School student Hillory Farias. Investigators say the drug apparently was slipped into her soft drink.

Miss Farias, 17, complained of a severe headache when she came home after midnight Aug. 4 from a night out with girlfriends. Her grandmother found her unconscious after daybreak.

Most victims in the overdose cases were rushed to a hospital because they couldn't breathe or they passed out in their cars and nobody could arouse them, said Mike Ellis, director of Poison Control.

"In all these cases, the person has admitted taking GHB. But there could be many more where the cause of the illness was unknown and the hospital didn't screen for it," said Margaret Harris, legal adviser for Harris County's multiagency narcotics task force.

Miss Farias' death is believed to be the only one in the area and perhaps in the nation directly attributable to GHB. Her death has been ruled a homicide and police plan to interview Aug. 4 patrons of a Pasadena nightclub for any possible leads.

Ms. Harris, an assistant district attorney, said law enforcement officers in mid-August found a lab near Webster where GHB was being manufactured illegally.

"At that point, we realized this was becoming a threat," she said. "It came home that area law enforcement agencies that I met did not have much information on it."

Three cases of respiratory distress in Webster, traced to GHB use, were treated in the emergency room at Clear Lake Regional Medical Center last week — after the announcement of GHB's role in Miss Farias' death, said spokeswoman Kim Boudreaux.

Law officers also are concerned that some of the people being stopped for investigation of drunken driving actually might be under the influence of GHB.

Because GHB cannot be detected with a routine drug screen, La Porte police who heard of its possible involvement had to specifically request the county medical examiner to test for the depressant in Miss Farias' case.

Authorities said GHB has been used as a "date-rape drug," rendering the unknowing and soon oblivious victim helpless to defend herself against assault and even obliterating memory of the attack.

"It's the Mickey Finn of the 90s," said Jerry Ellis with the Drug Enforcement Administration in Houston.

## Mail order CD industry crashing

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (AP) — The growth in mail-order compact disc and video industry has slowed, and Terre Haute's Columbia House is feeling the effect.

Don Jeffrey of Billboard Magazine said there is softness in the industry.

"There's a weakening in the market for music overall," Jeffrey said.

Retail sales of compact discs, which do not include Columbia House sales, reached 409 million in 1995, according to a spokeswoman for SoundScan, a marketing research firm in Hartsdale, N.Y., that tracks record sales.

That was up from 368 million in 1994. So far this year, sales have reached only 287 million, although the holiday season remains.

Edward Hatch, an analyst for UBS Securities Inc. in New York, said retailers have given deep discounts on new hit titles for both music and video recordings. That is pressuring prices for companies such as Columbia House, the world's largest direct-marketer of recorded music and videos.

"But they're the leader in the business, and they'll certainly weather it out," Hatch said.

Efficiency and economy have become buzzwords at the company.

Norman McQueen, senior vice president of operations at the Terre Haute facility, said plans call for Columbia House to consolidate some of its operations.

The Pitman, N.J., plant, which handled compact disc processing for the East Coast, will close, and the work done by 160 workers there will come to the Terre Haute plant.

At the same time, the video processing and distribution done by 80 to 90 workers in Terre Haute will go to the company's Colorado City, Colo., plant. McQueen said employees currently working in video processing and distribution here will shift to similar jobs involving compact discs.

Cutting back to two distribution centers "It looks like just an even deal as far as Terre Haute goes," he said.

The company is Terre Haute's largest employer, with about 3,300 workers.

McQueen said he is aware of rumors that have circulated for several weeks that Columbia House is in trouble and could close its Terre Haute operation.

"We've grown by 1,300 people since 1991, just in Terre Haute," McQueen said. "We were literally growing just like gangbusters, keeping up with the surge in compact disc demand."

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## WNTE upgrade, yes

Some of us at the *Flashlight* believe that our campus radio station, 89.5FM WNTE, receiving the upgrade they've worked so long and hard to gain acceptance for, is a great idea. It is not only a positive step for those aspiring to work in the radio business, but a lucrative one as well.

After the station is able to purchase the necessary equipment needed for the upgrade, Giant 89 will then be heard clearly by cities such as Williamsport, Corning and Elmira. By proceeding with the upgrade, it will not only be a positive step for the station, but for the overall campus as well. This will not only create better relations with the university and the community, but it may also attract more students to the campus. It will also increase the revenue the station generates and will get more campus events noticed by the public.

Giant 89 has the reputation of taking an active part in major events on and off campus. Every year, they broadcast live at events such as 1890's, homecoming and occasionally new businesses which open up downtown. They are also active in deejaying fraternity and sorority dances. By working such events, the station proves to be an exemplary tool for public relations as well as a reputable campus organization.

The board members have also been working diligently on improving the quality of the station, which is a notion of what got them the upgrade in the first place. For instance, they have a rather rigorous written test in which all new deejays must pass before qualifying to be on the air. They must also formulate an air-check, in which the program director critiques and supplies the new members with advice on how they can improve their quality before they go on the air.

This work shows how serious the members are about the upgrade and also how dedicated they are in improving the reputation of the station. Therefore, we feel that the upgrade is an excellent idea for the station and the university.

## WNTE upgrade, no

The giant has attacked Mansfield. This semester, in the lavish and all-too-frequent tradition of large investments and overspending our campus has gotten accustomed to, Mansfield's radio station, "the Giant 89", will be expanding its reach. For the first time, people who live in Williamsport will be able to tune in and listen to some MU campus radio.

Campus radio. Broken down into simpler terms, campus radio means radio by the students, for the students. It is students diligently working to produce the highest quality radio possible with the equipment provided. Now, we are going to be providing more equipment for our radio station. Our voice will be heard for miles around. But do we want our voice heard for such a great distance? The radio variety and diversity is excellent, but it should remain in the area.

Perhaps it should not be the campus' responsibility to furnish these areas with more radio. If Williamsport wants to hear from "the Giant", let them foot the bill. Our campus will be spending tens of thousands of dollars to give the neighboring areas a choice in radio. Unfortunately, none of the students living in Mansfield will even notice the change. The people who will notice the change will be the conservatives living between Mansfield and Williamsport who will, someday soon, question the material being provided.

The students on campus can handle the material and views expressed, but do we want children who will be living in this range to be exposed to Sunday Night Bingers and some of the other fare offered to the listeners. We don't want censorship. It would be hypocritical for a newspaper to cry out for censorship. We should not try to censor the radio, but we should contain it. It is campus radio because it should remain on campus.



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## Educator responds negatively to *Flashlight's* North Hall editorial

Letter to the Editor,

In response to an editorial in one of the recent issues of the *Flashlight*, criticizing the renovation of North Hall as inappropriate and indulgent in view of the financial state of the institution, I would like to offer the following thoughts:

Reclaiming that wonderful architectural gem called North Hall, neglected for such a long time and deteriorated almost to the point of no return, is a statement, I believe, reflecting positively on Mansfield University: the determination and foresight of its administration, the support of faculty, alumni, and friends (whose names are engraved prominently at the entrance of the new-old building), and the way worlds of knowledge will

open up to students once they arrive on campus.

I know from similar ventures at the University of Rochester where I teach that the struggle for recognition will continue even after the building is rededicated. Some of the bills may not have been paid; somebody has to figure out the cost of maintenance for the new physical plant; to some renovated North Hall provides too luxurious a surrounding for allegedly rowdy students; and to some — your editorial took that stand — the new building is symptomatic of poorly arranged administrative and academic priorities, and you compared Mansfield University now with the waning days of the Roman Empire. (The Roman Empire, historians among us might argue, fell because of indefensible frontiers, barbarian invasions,

and inner decay, but that was more than four hundred years after the most opulent architectural landmarks were put in place under the first emperors.)

To all of these critics I would like to respond that, in the medium and long run, North Hall will beget higher enrollments, less vandalism of students, greater enthusiasm of parents for the college of their daughters and sons, a better education overall for students enrolled here, and hopefully more generous donations from alumni and friends. Mansfield University can only gain from reclaiming North Hall, where memories of times past and the university's vision of the future have come together in a perfect architectural expression.

Jurgen Thym

### Commentary policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary you may turn it in to the *Flashlight* office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writer's name, major, class and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week, we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.

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The *Flashlight* is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is not willing to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

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## Commentary

# Do men's brains really shrink with age?



Dave Barry

I am feeling great, and I will tell you why. It's because of this article I read recently that said ... um ... it said ... OK, wait just a minute while I get out this article ...

OK, here it is: According to this article, researchers at the University of Pennsylvania did a study showing that, as males - but NOT females - get older, their brains shrink. Was I ever relieved to read that! I thought it was just me!

Here's something I regularly do: I'm walking through an airport, and I see a news stand, and I think, "Huh! A newsstand! I can get a newspaper there, and perhaps some magazines! I can read them on the airplane, and use the information in them to write informed columns!"

So I carefully select some newspaper and magazines; then I put them on

the counter, then I get out my wallet and pay for them; then I carefully put the receipt into my wallet so that I can deduct this purchase for tax purposes; then I go get on the airplane.

OK, here's a pop quiz: What will I discover when I get on the airplane? You older, shrinking-brain males probably have no idea. You're saying to yourselves: "WHAT air plane?"

But you female readers, and you younger males, know the answer: I will discover that I left my magazines and newspapers back on the newsstand counter. I cannot tell you how many times I have done this. (Note to Internal Revenue Service: The reason I still deduct these purchases on my tax return is that I am writing about them here.) I could save time if, when striding through the airport, I simply flung money in the general direction of the newsstand.

Here's another thing I do: I routinely go to the cleaners for the specific purpose of picking up my shirts, pay for my shirts, then attempt to walk out without my shirts, as though I were just visiting them.

Also: Many times I am looking ALL OVER for my reading glasses - looking, looking, looking, looking - and then I walk past a mirror and notice that they are perched on my head. "Ha ha!" they gaily shout to me, their lenses twinkling. "You cretin!"

Also: I have always been terrible at remembering people's names, but now I forget names INSTANTANEOUSLY,

before they have gotten all the way through my ear canal. If some body introduces himself to me at a social event, it sounds as though he's saying, "Hi. I'm Blah."

"I'm sorry," I'll say. "What was your name again?"

"Blah," he'll say.

"Ah," I'll say, smiling brightly while hoping that a meteor will crash into the building before I have to introduce him to someone else.

Here's another symptom: I currently own four - that is correct, four - identical unused tubes of toothpaste, because every time I'm in a drugstore and walk past the toothpaste section, my brain, which by now must be about the size of a Raisinet, racks its tiny shriveled self in an effort to remember whether I have any toothpaste, and it can never come up with a definitive answer, so it always decides: Better safe than sorry!"

(The good news is, if the price of Tartar Control Crest rises significantly, I will be a wealthy man!)

Anyway, I was very relieved to find out that this was not just my personal problem, but a problem afflicting the brains of males in general, although, as a frequent flier, I hope it doesn't extend to male airplane pilots ("Ladies and gentlemen, we are approaching either Pittsburgh or Honolulu, so at this time I'm going to push the button that either illuminates the fasten-seat belt signs or shuts off all the engines.").

The University of Pennsylvania

study (Note to older males: I am referring here to a study showing that, as males get older, their brains shrink) also showed that we older males tend to lose our sense of humor. This is definitely true in my case. I was just talking to my oldest friend, whose name is ... Excuse me while I look up his name ... OK, was talking to my oldest friend, Joe DeGiacinto, and we were remarking on the fact that when we were teen-age males roaming uncontrolled around Armonk, N.Y., we thought that the most hilarious imaginable human activity was the wanton destruction of mailboxes; whereas we now both firmly believe that this should be a federal crime punishable by death.

So my overall point is that the brain-shrinkage study makes me feel a lot better, because now I know that I'm not getting stupid alone; that billions of guys are getting stupid with me, as evidenced by:

- Golf
- Comb-overs
- Marlon Brando

Here's what I think: I think Older Male Brain Shrinkage (OMBS) should be recognized as a disability by the federal government. At the very least, we should have a law requiring everybody to wear a name tag (HELLO! MY NAME IS 'BLAH'). Older males would be exempt from this requirement, because they wouldn't be able to find their tags. I have many other strong views on this subject but I can't remember what they are.

## Look who's not talking about his finances—Ralph

Connie Cass

WASHINGTON (AP) — It sounds like the sort of thing Ralph Nader would go charging after: A presidential candidate who refuses to document how much he spends or where his money comes from.

But this time it's Nader himself, the good-government guy, who is fending off complaints. Even some members of the tiny Green Party that nominated Nader are annoyed he won't reveal the finances of his shoestring campaign.

"We've told him to file. 'You're running for president, you should disclose this,'" Green Party USA attorney Mark Dunlea said.

"He does not want to expose his personal finances to public scrutiny — he's a very private individual in that sense," said Dunlea, who once worked for Nader as a consumer activist and still considers him a hero.

Nader's plan is simple on the surface: He will carry his spartan lifestyle onto the campaign trail, spending less than \$5,000 total, the threshold for financial disclosure.

What kind of presidential campaign can you run for \$5,000? Not much of one. So far it's amounted to a handful of press conferences and radio interviews. Certainly no 30-second TV ads, "which I abhor," Nader says.

He does plan a campaign swing through the Northeast before the election: "Just go up by motor vehicle and stay with friends and relatives. It's very cheap."

He promises to accept no con-

tributions and spend only his own money — under \$1,300 so far, including his trip to California to receive the nomination on Aug. 19.

Nader says all of this helps dramatize the corrupting influence of corporate money in politics, which he wants to replace with a system of taxpayer financing.

"The most relevant piece of information is who's financing your campaign," Nader said in an interview. "I've disclosed that it's zero. I'm not taking money from anyone."

Some skeptics, even within his own party, see a hidden motive. They say Nader stubbornly clings to his privacy to avoid disclosing his income from a busy schedule of speeches, articles and books.

No matter what his income, Nader, 62, is famous for living cheaply, plowing most of his money back into the plethora of non-profit reform groups he fathered. And he has always valued financial privacy — fighting for protection of tax and credit card data.

A group that lost to Nader's side on two consumer-related ballot issues in California last March has complained about Nader's presidential campaign to the Federal Election Commission, estimating he already has spent more than \$5,000 on travel alone.

"Ralph thinks he's above the law," said Michael Johnson, policy director of Voter Revolt. The complaint sparked an editorial in The Wall Street Journal chiding "Mr. Disclosure" for failing to disclose.

All that might not bother the Green Party if Nader's stubbornness didn't also louse up plans to use the famous Nader name to attract national at-

tention to the budding environmentalist, consumerist, feminist Green movement. Nader is on the ballot in 21 states.

In an attempt to stay within campaign law, Nader has ordered the party not to spend money promoting him. He's cut off all contact with party leaders, to distance himself from anything they might do. He's even forbidden his vice presidential candidates — there are different names on different state ballots — from spending money because it would count toward his \$5,000 campaign threshold.

Thanks to Nader, it's not easy being Green.

"We actually love Ralph, but at some point you've got to say if you're

not allowing the party to build itself up are kind of defeating the purpose of the entire campaign," Dunlea said. "It's really difficult."

Dunlea has made numerous appeals to the FEC in hopes of learning exactly what the party can do without breaking the law or forcing Nader to disclose. "They keep saying they've never dealt with a situation like this," Dunlea said.

Ultimately, the only answer may be to let Nader be Nader.

"This is a quixotic candidate," said Ellen Miller, director of the nonpartisan Center for Responsive Politics, which studies campaign financing. "It's hard to figure exactly what he has in mind."

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# Out of Context

## How to party with the creatures of the night

by Ian Kaiser  
editor of darkness

Some things you're just better off not knowing. But I'm going to tell you anyway. Unbeknownst to most of the people in Mansfield there is a frightening subculture living right here in our midst. No, I'm not talking about coffee drinkers. It's much much worse than that. I'm talking about the undead, the children of the night. In other words, Vampires. Now before you run off and garnish your room with garlic and start cutting down trees to make wooden stakes, let me finish my story.

I discovered this horrible fact two years ago at a party. I suppose I should have realized that something was up when my friend told me the place was called Apartment 666. But I try not to think too much when alcohol is involved, so I headed down to the apartment. Besides, my friend told me that this is where the most exciting parties are.

The apartment was what one might graciously call a dump. The front door opened into the kitchen, consisting of little more than a grimy stove, a table with some chairs that appeared to have been stolen from McDonald's, a

sink filled with dirty dishes, a fridge filled with Bob knows what, and a rather large keg. The room was packed with people. I was introduced to a few people I didn't know, several people I did know, and the owners of the apartment. This was when I started to get worried.

There were four of them. Apparently only the three guys actually lived here, but there was also a blonde girl who seemed to be presiding over the party as well. The four of them sat on an extremely dilapidated maroon couch, clearly the masters of all they surveyed. They were not dressed in black, but for some reason they gave the impression that they should be. The blonde looked at me in a way that I could only describe as hungry. The music was blaringly loud, and happened to be one of my favorite Doors songs. For some reason "People are Strange" seemed oddly fitting at the time. I began to grow very nervous, so I went to get my first of many beers.

I got used to the strange atmosphere rather quickly. One of the four I mentioned earlier was manning the stereo, and playing quite an impressive mix of 80's music. I forget what people were calling him, but if I remember right, it had something to do with wine. Of course, by this time, I had been doing my part of emptying the keg, so I am not

surprised that I don't remember. I realized that my uneasiness was probably just the initial discomfort of being in a new place with strangers. As a matter of fact, after talking with the hosts for a while I began to realize why everyone spoke so highly of these parties. Despite my being anti-greek, if these people had asked me to join a fraternity, I probably would have done it in a second.

I am not ashamed to admit that by this point I was pretty drunk. The atmosphere that had seemed so hostile and foreboding now felt more homey than my grandmother's kitchen. I sat on the edge of the sink watching two people play something called "Beer Die." I was sure that it was the best party I had ever been to, until midnight that is.

I hadn't even noticed the time until the lights went out. "Come On Eileen" ended abruptly, and a song with the heaviest bass line I have ever heard started up. No one was near the stereo. It was hard to see anything. Then the candles began to appear. An immense candelabra and a heavy, black tablecloth had been placed on the kitchen table, where I was sure there had been nothing but glasses of beer before. Everyone at the party was gathered in the kitchen, singing the song. Amazingly enough, I even remember some of the words:

"I've got the ways and means to New Orleans, I'm going down by the river where it's warm and green.

I'm gonna have a drink, and walk around. I've got a lot to think about."

I happened to be standing next to the guy who had been DJing earlier. He turned to me and smiled. I realized that his canines were quite pronounced, even bordering on fangs. Funny I hadn't noticed it before... Someone came up behind me and put their hands on my shoulders. I saw eight of the longest nails I had ever seen in my life. A mass of blonde hair tumbled in front my eyes, and I felt a curious stinging on my neck, then a flicker of tongue. I passed out then, presumably due to having had so much to drink.

You could say that party was a life changing experience. I began sleeping much later than I was used to, and staying up most of the night. I also found it necessary to give up my vegetarian diet. I went back to many more parties at that apartment. I don't know why I was so nervous that first time. It soon became my favorite place to go. Sadly, no one lives there anymore, so we have no where to party. You wouldn't mind if we came to your place would you? We're all very thirsty.

## Clarification of ultimate stupidity

by Josh Cusack  
repeated editor

(Editor's Note: At about 4 am last week I inadvertently cut out about 3 paragraphs of this story. Here it is again in its entirety. Sorry for the inconvenience. Read it again or the Badles won't come to Mansfield.)

Recently, my roommate and I were watching CNN to get ahead in our knowledge of world events. We were trying to better ourselves, I suppose. There was a report on that became consistently more ridiculous as I watched.

Apparently, PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) is up in arms over their discovery of a town in upstate New York called Fishkill. They feel that the town of Fishkill should change its name due to "... the violent imagery it conjours up." How asinine!

Do they really expect us to believe that the name of a town has some sort of psychological power that can suggest horrible thoughts?

"Every time I come to Mansfield the only thing I can think of is forty naked men running through a prairie!" an MU student once reportedly said

According to CNN there is an inn in the town of Fishkill that goes by the same name. They interviewed the owner of the inn and found out that the inn had gone under the same name since George Washington stayed there. Washington was alive at the time, but the current innkeeper was not.

Fortunately, the town of Fishkill has a sane mayor and he stated in this report that there is absolutely no possibility of changing the name of the town.

I am extremely happy with the fact that this report did not air without an explanation of the word Fishkill itself. Being that I happen to come from

Schuykill County I happen to know the meaning myself. "Kill" is a Dutch word that means river or stream. Schuykill means "hidden river" because the Schuykill river was not found on the first exploration of the Delaware river.

All this shows that Fishkill actually means "fish river" and not broken, bloody fish carcasses. PETA seems to be too stupid to do a little research and get their story straight.

It seems to me that PETA knows that they don't have much of a chance of getting this town to change their name because Fishkill is in a predominantly Dutch area. Not far away is the town of Beaverville and both of these towns are in the Catskill Mountains. None of these names are under any direct attack so it seems that PETA might only be ganging up on the small guys.

Maybe those idiots in PETA are even bigger idiots than I thought, and feel that fish are cute while beavers and cats aren't.

A spokeswoman for PETA urged any town that has a name which is insensitive to animals to change it as soon as is possible. I say screw that! I'm going to start a town and call it Bloodydogskull! Then I'm going to start another town and call it New Bloodydogskull! I'm going to cover all the bases: Bloodydogskullburg, Bloodydogskullfield, etc.!

The person reporting on this story went around to different people on the street and was asked them how they would feel about living in a town called Fishsave. Every single person they asked said it was a ludicrous idea. I think anyone who likes the name Fishsave should be shot without a last cigarette.

An acquaintance of mine brought up a really good point. How would all of you feel if a Catholic organization went to Lancaster County and told the people of Blue Ball or Inter-

course that they find those names disgusting and offensive?

"Change the name of your town or you will burn in Hell!"

"Doesn't sound likely since I don't believe in your Hell."

What I really want to say is that before you join any organization, check it out. Just because it may seem to have the best causes in mind there still might be some idiots who have distorted its values with stupidity or something worse.

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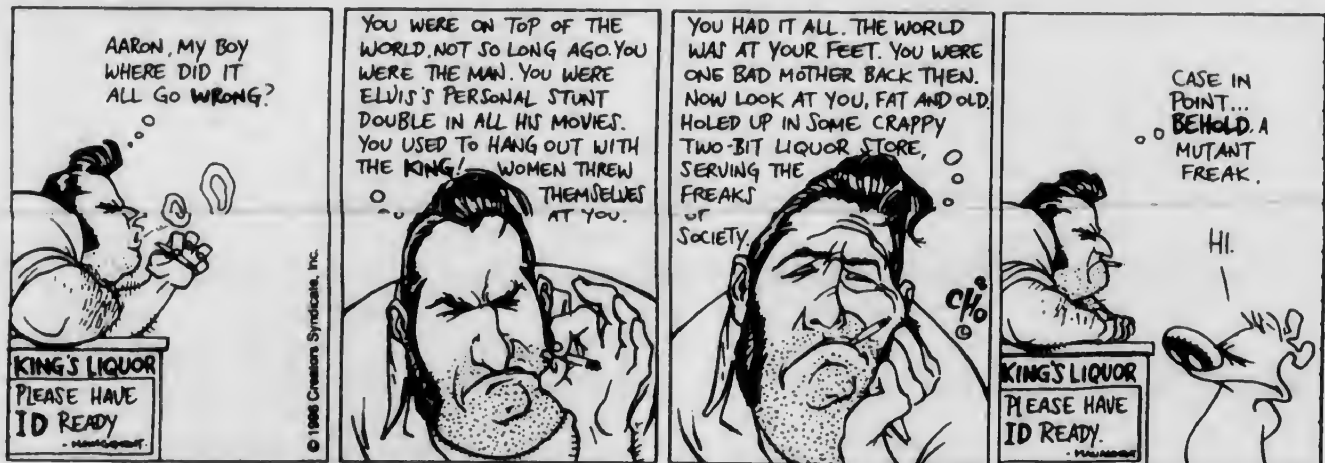


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## Mountie football team loses tough game to Owls

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team (1-1) lost their first game of the season Saturday, September 14 by a score of 54-14 at Southern Connecticut State University.

"We just weren't as prepared at Southern Connecticut as we could have been," Head Coach Joe Viadella said.

Southern Connecticut nearly tripled Mansfield's yards rushing 421-121.

Southern Connecticut jumped on the board early marching 66 yards on six plays. Quarterback Tom Kleine's 29 yard pass to Chris Ortiz with 12:50 left to play in the first quarter made the score 6-0 after kicker Frank Biancamano missed the extra point.

Later in the first quarter Kleine connected once again with Ortiz off a 73 yard pass. A two-point conversion following the touchdown put the Owls even further ahead of the Mounties 14-0.

"They were the better team on Saturday," senior defensive end Joel Kargbo said. "They came up with different formations we hadn't seen before and we just didn't line-up right."

The Mountaineer defense gave up 642-yards, including 428 on the ground. SC freshman Rshan Dumas rushed for 256 yards including three

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touchdowns.

"We need to work on consistency," Viadella said. "We played very well against Cortland but looked and played flat at Southern Connecticut."

Mansfield got on the board mid-way through the second quarter on a 78 yard drive. Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith had a four yard run and punter Jason Johnston's extra-point cut the Owl's lead to 27-7.

However, Southern Connecticut would score twice more before the quarter was out making the score 41-7 at the half.

"Our heads just weren't in the game," nose tackle Pat Ginther said. "They jumped on us right away and we have to learn to fight back."

With :15 left to go in the third quarter MU running back Jason Donadi scored on a five yard run. Johnston's extra point made the score 41-14.

Donadi rushed for 101 yards pulling down six passes for 50 yards. Smith connected on 17 of 44 passes for 218 yards.

Mountaineer linebacker Jim Ludwig lead the team with eight tackles

This Saturday the Mountaineers will travel to Ithaca College at 1 p.m.



Photo by Thad Woodward

Runningback Jason Donadi (49) rushed for 101-yards, including a five-yard touchdown in the Mounties 54-14 loss to Southern Connecticut.

## MU football looks for second win against Ithaca

by Joe Wagner  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team will travel this Saturday to Jim Butterfield Stadium to take on the Bombers of Ithaca College.

The Mounties carry a 1-1 record into their second consecutive road game.

Mansfield looked impressive in their home opener when they blanked Cortland 18-0.

The Mountaineers, however, suffered a complete turnaround in their next game.

Despite solid performances from freshman quarterback Lucas Smith and junior running back Jason Donadi, the Mounties stumbled to a disappointing 54-14 loss at the hands of the Southern Connecticut Owls.

The question of whether the Mountaineers can bounce back from their first loss of the season is on the minds of Mountie coaches and fans alike.

"We were flat last week... but we had a good practice on Sunday", said Head Football Coach Joe Viadella. "Our mental frame of mind is better this week."

The Mounties focused on their defense during practice this week in preparation for the Bombers.

It needed the work. During last week's contest the Mountaineers gave up over 420 yards on the ground to Southern Connecticut.

The secondary remained stingy in their pass defense against the Owls. They will have to keep up their excellent defense against Ithaca.

The Bomber's senior quarterback, Neil Weidman, broke 10 school passing records last year. He led his team to a 5-4 record.

The Bomber's offensive line is one of the team's strengths as well.

Joel Kargbo, Pat Ginther, and Joe Scriba of the Mansfield defensive line are going to have to pull together

and put pressure on Weidman.

They must make some big plays to ease the load that Jim Nicholson and the rest of the defensive backfield will have to face.

The Ithaca Bombers have had three weeks to prepare and find any weaknesses in the Mountaineer game plan.

Next Saturday's game on the Bomber's home turf will be Ithaca's first of the season. It is also Ithaca's homecoming.

This puts double the pressure on Mansfield. The Mounties will have to fight not only a well prepared Ithaca team but an enthusiastic if not hostile home-town crowd.

Because Ithaca has yet to play this season, the Mountaineers have not been able to get a good look at the Bomber's game scheme and tendencies.

This means that the Mounties will have to give a more solid and team-oriented effort than they did last week at Southern Connecticut.

"We need to work on consistency.... Ithaca's an excellent veteran football program with a great quarterback", said Viadella. "We need to learn from our mistakes last week and remember what we did right against Cortland."

The Mounties plan to emphasize their running game.

By doing this, they will be able to instill the play action pass which will make their aerial passing attack better.

Viadella stressed the need for offensive balance.

This Saturday's contest between the Mansfield Mountaineers and the Ithaca Bombers will be the ninth meeting between these two teams.

The two squads have split the last eight games of the series that began in 1930.

The last time that the Mounties went into Butterfield Stadium they upset the Bombers by a score of 13-0.

This game could be a vital turning point for the Mountaineers.

"Offensively we have to gain some steam. I hope we get back on the winning track", said Viadella.

### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	60	21	.350	292	0	1	1
Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
J. Donadi	6	50	0	J. Donadi	54	226	1
J. Povenski	5	58	0	D. Banyar	11	44	0
M. Hanley	2	50	0	L. Smith	15	27	3
N. Davis	4	77	0	L. Brannon	12	45	0
L. Brannon	1	2	0	N. Davis	3	10	0
M. Brezovech	2	49	0	Punting	No.	Yds.	Av.
				M. Hanley	16	560	35.0
Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	2	66	0				
C. Morrison	1	9	0				
J. Ludwig	1	1	0				
Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD	Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	TD
J. Williams	5	28	0	L. Brennon	8	116	0
J. Curto	1	5	0				
Sacks: Joel Kargbo (2-20yds)							
Tackle Leaders: M. Williams (13), J. Kargbo (8), J. Ludwig (6), C. Morrison (5), R. Entrot (5) J. VanOrden (5), J. Nicholson (5), M. Abrachinsky (4), M. Guzevich (4)							
Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	2	0-0					18
J. Johnston						2-2	8
J. Donadi	1						6



# Fullback brings marine mentality to the Mounties

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

Nate Davis is living a high-school offensive lineman's dream. The 24 year-old freshman is the starting fullback for the Mansfield Mountaineer football team.

This year the Mountaineers have added a new dimension to their offense. The fullback position has been added to the offensive scheme to complement Jason Donadi at tailback.

24 year old freshman, Nate Davis, a former high school offensive guard and ex-marine, stands six feet tall and weighs in at a sturdy 220 pounds. He fits the classic fullback mold.

"We didn't have anybody to fit the billet, but Nate is a kid tailor made for it. He is the whole package", said Mountaineer Head Football Coach Joe Viadella.

The fullback in the Mansfield offensive scheme does not get many carries but he has many integral responsibilities. He has to be a "three yards



Photo by Thad Woodward  
Full back Nate Davis is making a difference with the 1996 Mountaineers.

and a cloud of dust" type ballcarrier. He has to be a great pass receiver and above all, he must be a great run blocker. Davis fits all of these requirements.

The biggest worry that Viadella had about Davis was if he would fit in with the majority of the younger players. He has, however, blended well.

"He always goes 100 miles per hour in practice and has gained the respect all the football team", said Viadella.

Despite his hard work in practice, he does get good natured ribbing from the other players about his age.

"When I told them that my sophomore year of high school was the first year that basketball had a three point line they thought I was ancient", said Davis. "They call me Grandpa."

When asked about the biggest difference between he and the other players, Davis said that it was the "experience gap."

"I didn't find it too severe though", he said.

Davis was a United States Marine for the four years before he came to college. He served two years in Puerto Rico at Roosevelt Roads naval base on an anti-terrorist attack team. His last year in the service he spent at Camp Legune in North Carolina.

The biggest thing that Davis learned in the marines was resilience through hard times.

"The patience that I learned in the Marines is the thing that has helped me out the most", said Davis. "It's definitely a challenge, but it's definitely not the Marine Corps."

"I was apprehensive at first. I played the offense line in high school

so (fullback) is a whole new thing. It's a blast so far!"

Davis's first game was the one in which he was the most nervous. It was the Mounties' home opener and it was raining. Davis, who is also the special teams long snapper and a kick-off coverage man, could only think about one thing: snapping the ball over the punter's head.

"I had a hard time sleeping the night before the game", said Davis. "But after I made the first tackle on the first kick-off, everything was okay."

In the first two games of the year Davis has had three carries for ten yards. He has caught four passes out of the backfield for 77 yards. He has also had three tackles on special teams.

A rumor has circulated that Davis will not play in this week's game because of a slightly injured shoulder.

"Oh that's a nasty rumor" Davis said. "I can't do that. I can't sit out a game."

He is a very driven and determined individual. But he does admit that sometimes it is hard.

"Two things keep me motivated", Davis said. "The one thing is my faith in God, and the other is my fiancée."

Davis is very optimistic about this week's game with the Ithaca Bombers.

"I expect us to win. I don't go into any game expecting to lose!"

## Field hockey falls 1-1 on the week

by Jackie Williams  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University Mountaineer field hockey team took a 5-0 loss on September 18 at Bloomsburg University.

Mansfield's defense held the top ranked team in the nation to one goal in the first half. That first goal came off a run by Tracy Barndt at the 15:31 mark.

Mansfield continued to hold against the immense strain of the ball being on their side of the midline for most of the game. Bloomsburg outshot the Mountaineers 72-4. According to first year head coach Vickie Sax, senior goalkeeper Robin Adams, was solid despite being peppered by shots the whole night. She allowed only one additional goal in the second half and had 15 saves before she left the game with nine minutes left to play.

The Huskies scored three more times in the final minutes, including two goals in the last two minutes to improve to 7-0 on the season.

"It is too bad that everything must be measured in wins and losses because we did some really good things

out there," Sax said. "Especially as long as we feel we've learned something, we have accomplished what we set out to do."

The loss to Bloomsburg came on the heels of a spectacular 3-0 win against SUNY-Brockport on Saturday, September 14.

Mansfield drew blood twice in the first half. Freshman Amory Petko scored first when she deflected a shot from Renee Phillips into the back of the box. Junior back Heather Dittman scored late in the half off an assist from freshman Shanna Vitale. But the crowd pleaser came off a double stick stop and an assist from Missy Tyson to end the game with a 3-0 shutout of Brockport.

"It was a great opener," Sax said. "Every single one of the girls came to the field with the right mental approach and was ready to play. They never slacked off, even when they were up 2-0 going into the second half."

According to Sax, Mansfield will look to polishing up their defensive scheme and the transition game in the midfield before their next game.

The Mountaineers will host SUNY-Albany on Saturday, September 21 at 1 p.m.

## X-Country team competes at meet

by J.P. Fella and  
J. Wilson  
sports reporters

The Mansfield University Men's and Women's Cross Country Team competed on Saturday, September 14 with eleven other schools in the Lafayette Invitational at Lafayette College in Easton, Pa.

The overall team winner of the women's 3.1 mile (5k) run was Princeton University.

W. Gottshall, of Princeton, finished first at the meet with a time of 18:30.

Mansfield's top overall meet finisher was junior Kathy Pavcilious who finished 44th overall with a time of 21:02.

For the men, the individual

winner was Anthony Debendictis of Seton Hall with a time of 25:21 for the 5 mile course.

However, Princeton University prevailed in the overall team standings.

The Mountaineers men's team finished a disappointing 12th overall.

The top finisher for MU was senior Randy Stroble, who placed 36th with a time of 27:47.

This weekend Mansfield University will be competing in the Baptist Bible College Invitational.

This will be the first year the women's team will be running in this meet.

Head Mansfield University Mountaineers Cross-Country Coach Jim Taylor is hoping for a strong run from cross country runner sophomore Colleen Ryder.

## MU baseball opens fall season

Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University Mountaineer baseball team opened its fall season last weekend hosting a twin-bill against the University of Toronto at the Mountaineer's Joseph Shaute field.

On Saturday in the first game, the Mounties won 15-2 and for the second game also won 9-4. On Sunday, the baseball team, once again, beat Toronto 9-2, but lost the second game 8-4.

"We played as many players as we could and the new players this year did a very good job" said Coach Harry Hillson.

This game marked the second time that Mountaineers have played against an international opponent. In 1989, the Mounties hosted Lithuania.

Toronto is the largest university in Canada and was lead by second year coach Rick Johnston.

Hillson added, "I'm really

happy with how the new recruits played, and they should be recognized. They are Steve Lynch, Adam Lewis, Derek Nace, Chad Swogger, R.J. Lee, Jason Rickabaugh, Ben Berger, Chis Kann, and Jonah Quick."

This game kicked off the first home fall-ball game for the Mounties. The emphasis of fall-ball is to let the younger players to get out and play and develop their skills for the spring. Hillson believed that playing against an international opponent will be a real positive experience for the club.

"I'm really happy with how they played and we're looking forward to a great season" said Hillson.

For the fifth straight year, the Mountaineers finished first in their division. Last season, the Mounties posted a 31-14 record including a 15-5 mark in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference-East (PSAC). They were also featured in Sports Illustrated in 1995 for their performance during that particular season.

The next game is Saturday, September 21, at noon in Smyth Park. This game is in honor of the 1890's weekend.

## Softball Team: Fall Preview

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

A bright future is in store for the women's softball team here at Mansfield. With a nucleus of hungry returning players from last year's team, and a promising group of freshmen recruits, the only place these girls can go is up.

After a disappointing season last year, the Mounties return seven starters, including the two senior captains, Heather Shelleman (first base) and Sherry Thompson (shortstop). Both girls will be looked upon for leadership towards the young freshmen.

Along with the returning starters, are two transfer juniors, Nikki Noaeill (OF/INF) and Jennifer Radicchi (OF/INF).

This year's pitching staff includes junior Melissa Tyson and sophomore Missi Stock. Both girls did all the pitching last year. Freshman Kelly Morris will also see time on the mound to get her innings of experience.

A key to Mansfield's offense last year, was Stephanie "Clark" Kent. Her offensive production earned her All-PSAC nominations. She will once again be looked upon to produce big numbers at the plate for the Mounties.

"This year's team is showing a lot of promise," Head Coach Edith Gallagher said.



## Sports Views

Some Hockey Thoughts  
and NFL Predictionsby Jason Feather  
sports reporter

How about the United States' ice hockey team, huh? After breezing through the exhibition rounds of the World Cup Tournament, they earned themselves the chance to play Canada in the finals.

This was, what many thought, would be an easy tournament for the Canadians to win, but it turned out that Canada lost three of the four games they played against the U. S.

The World Cup trophy, formerly known as the Canada Cup, because hockey was founded and dominated by Canada, was what was up for grabs.

No on in Canada thought that the U.S. would be much of an opponent to their team.

I mean think about it, they had names like Gretzky, Lindros, Shanahan, and Coffey.

We had guys Deadmarsh, LeClair, and Richter. Obviously, the bigger named talents in the NHL were on Canada's team, but the guys with bigger hearts and tremendous amounts of pride, were on our side.

I'm glad that we beat the Canadians, and on their own turf no less. It just goes to show that the United States is not only a world power in basketball, but hockey as well. It's about time!

On to football. How many of you like the Philadelphia Eagles? Well let the records show that I do, and have for awhile now.

I mean I had my doubts about Ray Rhodes' decisions about Rodney Peete and Ty Detmer at quarterback, but the guy obviously knows what he is doing.

In the year of the dearly departed Cowboys, I must say that it looks as though the birds will actually have a legitimate shot at winning the NFC East.

Green Bay is the definite powerhouse this year in the NFL. They have a lot of people there that want to win a Super Bowl, and they have a quality coach who knows how to prepare them

each week.

The Carolina Panthers are the sleeper in the NFC West. Look for them to challenge the 49ers for the division. They have a good, young quarterback, which coincidentally, might be their downfall if his knee injury is more serious than first expected.

In the AFC West, the Kansas City Chiefs really have no competition except the Denver Broncos.

The Seattle Seahawks, San Diego Chargers, and Oakland Raiders are too inconsistent to challenge anybody for a wild-card slot.

However, Denver made themselves more solid on the defensive side of the ball when they drafted Kutztown-product, Jon Mobley.

They have a veteran quarterback, John Elway, who has a lot of confidence in his offensive line.

In the Central, many people thought that the Pittsburgh Steelers were going to run away from the pack this year because of their solid defense.

When all-pro linebacker, Greg Lloyd, went down with a torn anterior cruciate ligament.

Many people have counted them out since then. They won't falter much, but they will receive pressure from the Houston Oilers and Baltimore Ravens. That will be an interesting division to watch.

The East, however, will be THE most exciting football this year. The Miami Dolphins are revamped by the coaching of Jimmy Johnson, and he has established a running game with rookies Karim Abdul-Jabbar and Irving Spikes.

This will take the added pressure off Dan Marino that always seemed to accompany him year-in and year-out. The Dolphins will be challenged by the resurgence of the Buffalo Bills and, surprising, Indianapolis Colts.

Jim Harbaugh, or "Captain Comeback" as many people now call him, has led the Colts back to respectability after last season's performance.

Jim Kelly and the Bills are realizing that their chances for a title are running out. They are energized by this thought and will be a team to watch.

My predictions are simple. In the NFC, the Eagles will win the east, Packers the central, and Panthers the west. That's right the Panthers. Wild cards will be occupied by the Cowboys, 49ers, and Vikings, which will make up a pretty good play-off in the NFC.

In the AFC, the Dolphins will win the east, Steelers the central, and Chiefs the west. The wild-cards will be won by the Colts, Bills, and Broncos. It will be interesting to see who will pull it out.

The Super Bowl will see the Green Bay Packers playing the Miami Dolphins, where Reggie White will finally get his ring and MVP of the game. Brett Favre will be the league's MVP for the second year in a row.

All and all, this season in the NFL will probably be the most interesting to watch. There are no sure shot winners, and on any given day, there could be an upset.

Just ask the Cowboys!!!

"Sports Views" discuss issues in local and national sports, both professional and collegiate. We'd like to hear your opinion about the topics we've discussed, or about ones you think should be discussed. All submissions must be signed by the author of the letter and please include your phone number. Please direct questions, comments or topics to: "Sports Views" Flashlight Office, 217 Memorial Hall.

The pros and cons of a  
recessive sports geneby Chris McGann  
editor

In my three plus years with this paper, I have never had a reason to venture into the realm of the sports pages.

Until now...

Just to get you up to date, last weekend the Mountie football team traveled to Southern Connecticut where they had their genitalia handed to them on a platter. To add injury to this insult, they had to play on astroturf. There should be a constitutional amendment banning this new technology.

Astroturf is an innovation to the sporting world. Somebody realized that playing football on a carpet instead of grass would be cheaper to maintain. Its not like you have to mow or replant the rug.

"How was work, honey?"

"They made me mow the rug again."

And what is underneath the rug, you might ask. There is a layer of padding over a slab of concrete. It takes a real idiot to think that this is the best surface to play a contact sport on. You might as well go tackle someone on the sidewalk.

For all the money that the professional and college teams save on this miracle of modern technology, astroturf has to be the greatest bane to the sporting world since the flying wedge.

There are three reasons why I need to make that bold statement. Somewhere in the conception of the astroturf, the player was forgotten. Player safety, the play of the game, and ironically a financial concern have all been ignored.

The most important of these three points is the safety factors. As of Monday, the trainers were still bandaging the injuries of the football players that resulted from astroturf. This surface increases the likelihood of shin splints and neck injuries. Running on an unnatural surface, such as astroturf, puts unnecessary pressure on the legs. In addition,

a hard fall on artificial turf only increases the potential for serious injury.

Imagine this scenario. A wide receiver is running for his life from a very big lineman. He gets shin splints on about the twenty, falls down on his head which sprains his neck. When the lineman gets to the receiver, that receiver is in for a world of hurting. While this is a rather gruesome account of something that might happen, it is not outside of the realm of possibilities.

Artificial turf also makes players run differently because of the lack of traction that goes along with playing on a glorified carpet. On grass, players can use their cleats to gain their footing. This just is not possible on astroturf. Anybody who has played the game knows how important this is for important aspects of the game like passing, rushing, and receiving. The advent of astroturf essentially means that players must learn two different games.

Finally, there is the money problem. Granted, vacuuming the rug is cheaper than mowing a football field. However, the team has to buy a second set of sneakers to play on the carpet. Where does this money come from? You guessed it. At least here at Mansfield, it comes from student activities fees. I don't personally know if the Mounties have two sets of shoes, but they probably should.

At larger colleges and universities, they have a different approach to this problem. They just charge more to see the game. This is one of the reasons why a mediocre seat at Penn State costs \$25.

I have to applaud MU for not resorting to a rug covering a great big slab of cement to play a game in which people tackle each other. Sure, football is not the safest sport around, but there is not reason to increase the risks to these players. It also keeps some semblance of tradition in the game.

You can take my word for it. Even though I only have a recessive sports gene, I know what a hero back is.

Flashlight Athlete  
of the Week

Robin Adams



Goalie Robin Adams has been named Flashlight Athlete of the Week for her performance in the Mounties first win of the season Saturday by stopping all of Brockport's shots on goal.

1996 Mountie  
Football Schedule

## SEPTEMBER:

7 SUNY Cortland  
14 at Southern Connecticut State  
21 at Ithaca College  
28 at Lock Haven

## OCTOBER:

5 Millersville  
12 at Bloomsburg  
19 Kutztown  
26 at West Chester University

## NOVEMBER:

2 East Stroudsburg University  
9 at Cheyney University  
16 Clarion University



# Storytelling festival features international flavor

## Storytellers entertain Mansfield University for entire weekend

by Chris McGann  
editor  
Kristine Dennis  
staff reporters

The Northern Appalachian Storytelling Festival marked its 16th year this past weekend at Mansfield University hosting five storytellers, four of whom had never come to Mansfield.

Each of the storytellers were unique in style, story selection and presentation. Their topics ranged from Native American creation tales to tongue in cheek ghost stories.

### "A man is not truly dead unless he is forgotten"

"Their styles are beautiful," Dr. A. Vernon Lapps said. "We had some really powerful storytellers." Lapps is the coordinator of the festival.

Charlotte Blake Alston, a Philadelphia-based storyteller and composer, began the festival with a traditional song from the country of Gabon in Africa.

"The song is sung when there is an important decision to be made," Alston said. The audience participated and sang in three-part harmony with her. The first story she told was a Liberian tale about a group of brothers who went in search of their dead father. The youngest brother encourages the other brothers to find their father. When they find the father's corpse he returned back to life.

"A man is not truly dead unless he is forgotten," Alston concluded.

The rest of Alston's stories were diverse but still kept with an African-American theme. Her performances included a rap song about Louie Armstrong, two poetic stories by African-American writer Paul Lawrence Dunbar, several stories about African villages, and a story about school integration in 1957. She closed with a poem by Langston Hughes.

Brenda Wong Aoki, an Asian-American San Francisco native, told stories inspired by Asian and Pacific folk legends as well as stories of her own life.

"She is the best teller of Asian folk stories I have ever heard or seen," said Lapps.

One of her stories was about a Japanese Samurai and his faithful wife. The wife sacrificed all she had for his happiness including her hair, which she cut off to weave into a Kimono for him. The Samurai left his wife to marry a rich woman. Twenty years later he had a

dream about his old wife and realized how much he missed her. Upon returning to his home he found his wife had not aged in twenty years. That night he made love to his wife, only to discover a corpse lying next to him in the morning. She had died the day he left her.

She also told a story about a young girl who was sent to a relocation camp during World War II. And her ghost story was about a woman who loved so much that she was turned into a serpent.

Bob Barton, founder of The Storytellers School of Toronto, was another storyteller at the festival.

"He is the dean of Canadian storytellers," Lapps said.

One of his feature stories was about a girl who was trying to escape from her enchanter father. The only human contact that she ever had was with her father. At one point, she asked her father for some books to read. After reading these books, the daughter got the urge to leave her home.

"Stories are access to knowledge," Barton said.

be an adult, and where kids come from. His stories took us back to childhood and amused everyone there.

### "You might have wanted to get away from me, but I really wanted to get away from you"

One story that he told was about his fourth grade experiences with the "evil" substitute teacher. The only safe haven from her was the bathroom, where he developed the trick of pretending to flush himself down the toilet. The last day of school, the teacher caught him and took him to the principal's office. Just as the principal was coming down the hall the bell rang and school was out for the summer. Four years later he ran into that same teacher in a grocery store where she professed her feelings for him.

"You might have wanted to get away from me, but I really wanted to get away from you."



Photo by Katie Long  
Storytellers featured at this year's 16th annual storytelling festival included 4 storytellers who had never visited the university in the past 15 years

The story ends with the daughter escaping after being turned into a bird and being reunited with her mother.

Bill Harley is the only returning storyteller. This is the third time he has been here. Harley told stories about his childhood and his experiences parenting.

He began and ended each of his performances with songs about the differences in people, how great it is to

Harley's stories all carried important messages about the human nature and the importance of sharing stories.

"Culture is people talking to each other and sharing stories," Harley said.

He concluded several of his stories with songs. There is not a clear delineation between story and song. The songs included an Irish song called "The

Pipers Chair," a song about racism called "Color Game" and "Amazing Grace".

Fifteen year storytelling veteran, Gayle Ross, performed many stories about her heritage. She is a direct descendent of John Ross, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation during the "Trail of Tears".

Her story, "The Girl Who Married the Moon," is one of sixteen stories that is included in a book that Ross co-wrote. The story was about two cousins who fell in love with the moon. The moon decided to marry them both, but they had to stay blindfolded on the journey to their new home. One girl became impatient and peaked out, whereupon she fell back to the Earth. Soon the moon's wife became bored and lonely. One day when she was all by herself she decided to look into his private room. There she found all the masks that he wore to work. Fascinated by their beauty she tried one on. When she tried to take it off it was stuck. Soon the moon came home and discovered his wife in tears. He realized her loneliness and decided to share his job with her. To this day the moon and his wife still carry the phases of the moon together.

### "I have a need to see where what I do makes in some small way a contribution"

Other stories she told were about the creation of the Cherokee people and why the buzzard smells the way he does. One of the creation stories talked about how the world is hung by silk strings. Ross said that real people must live in balance or the strings will break.

"I have a need to contribute," Ross said. "I have a need to see where what I do makes, in some small way, a contribution at the same time I am remunerated to make a life for my family. I don't want to make my living off of something that creates a detriment in the world as a whole."

The storytellers also held workshops and performed at area schools.

"I thought it was an excellent festival," Lapps said. He added that the feedback he has received was that this was the most balanced festival ever.

The list of storytellers is already set for 1997. Lapps said that he will not be director of the festival next year. Drs. Howard and Priscilla Travis will take over. Lapps will remain a part of the festival as the creative director.

## CALENDAR

### Friday, September 20

1-4pm Free pool at the Rec Desk in Memorial Hall  
Fabulous 1890's Weekend  
Chris and Amber go to bar  
10pm Zanzibar at The Hut

### Saturday, September 21

ALL DAY Marisa's birthday (love Rob)  
1:30 Football away at Ithaca  
Field Hockey at home vs. University

of Albany

Softball away at Lycoming College  
Tournament  
Cross Country at Baptist Invitational

### Sunday, September 22

1pm Baseball away at SUNY Cortland at

### Monday, September 23

4pm Field Hockey away at Marywood

College

5pm Flashlight swearing in ceremony  
217 Memorial  
9pm SGA meeting

### Tuesday, September 24

1pm New student seminar at Allen Lecture Hall  
3:30 "The Green Party" North Dining Hall  
10pm Show on the 22nd Floor on

GIANT 89

### Wednesday, September 25

8pm Stephen Gehringer in 204 Memorial, Wildlife Conservation  
9pm MAC Coffeehouse at the HUT  
10pm The Boneyard on GIANT 89

### Thursday, September 26

Field Hockey at home vs. SUNY  
5pm Flashlight gets laid out, editors cry profusely





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## Campus police crack down on illegal parking

by Stephanie R. De Nicola  
staff reporter

The ticketing policy at Mansfield University, as dictated in the pamphlet "Parking Traffic Rules and Regulations," will now be strictly enforced, according to campus police.

The pamphlet is given to students, employees, and visitors when they receive their parking decals and it describes the different decals, fines, and punishments for parking.

According to Karen Pelensky Collier, director of Police and Safety Services, people who have become accustomed to parking illegally without being reprimanded will find themselves

getting ticketed more often.

"The past year has been very busy and we were not able to enforce the parking rules like we should have," Collier said. "That will change this year."

The policies detailed in the parking pamphlet apply for each semester and anyone who gets five tickets will get a letter warning them about a possible loss of parking privileges.

After reaching seven tickets, the driver will have their campus parking privileges revoked and will be referred to the university judicial system. Students who continue to park on campus will get a \$25 fine for each violation besides the fine dictated for the violation.

After receiving ten tickets in a

semester, the car will be towed at the owner's expense.

"Cars that require to be towed will be taken either locally or to Wellsboro, depending on availability," Collier said.

Some students support the ticketing policy but are still not happy with the amount of available parking.

"I agree with the ticketing policy but the lack of sufficient parking for underclassmen forces students to park illegally," said Michele Manduchi, a sophomore music therapy student.

Sharon Remy, an English education senior, has a different view.

"I think the policy would work if cars were ticketed every day," Remy said. "I'm an upperclassman, and I can't

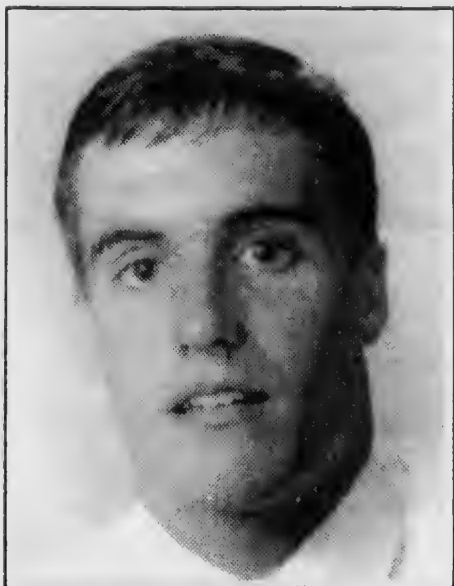


Photo by Megan Sallade  
An MU campus police officer cracks down on illegal parking.

get into the lots because there are cars there that shouldn't be there."

According to Collier, all policies are currently being enforced. There have already been several students who have lost their parking privileges as reported in the Police Beat section of previous issues of the *Flashlight*.

## Former Mountie goes professional in European league



Former MU football player Mark Doherty will play professionally in Austria.

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

Early in March of this year, former Mansfield University Mountaineer football standout, Mark Doherty, got a call from the Vienna-Austria Rangers of the European Professional Football League.

"They wanted me to fill-in for an injured player," said Doherty, former MU wide receiver.

After a try-out with the team, they gave him a contract, a salary of \$325 a week, room and board, a car, \$100 bonus per win and travel from the U.S. to Europe and back.

This year the Vienna-Austria Rangers have asked Doherty to come

back and play receiver for them next season.

"I have told them I would be back, but I'm still not sure," Doherty said.

During this past season, Doherty traveled all over Europe and his performance on the field for the Rangers earned him all-star honors which allowed him to play for the Austrian national team.

The Austrian all-star team played the Munich Cowboys of Germany, and won. The Rangers were so impressed with his abilities that they renewed his contract.

The former three year starter for the Mounties compiled 1,727 yards receiving with 120 catches, taking 9 of them for touch downs while in a Mountie

uniform. In 1994, he was named Fall Athlete of the Year.

He already has a degree in Criminal Justice Administration, and is in the process of getting his Master's degree in special education.

Doherty currently serves as a coach of the fullbacks and tight ends in a part-time capacity with the Mounties' football team.

Although he has aspirations of being a professional wide receiver, Doherty claims he has other priorities which are more important, such as his education.

*Editor's note: Information from a previous Flashlight article about Doherty, written by Sports editor, Amber Lakits, was used in this story.*

## Alternative political parties and their views discussed at forum

by James Moyer  
staff reporter

Opening up individuals minds to alternative political parties and to inform people about the views of third parties was the focus of a forum held last Wednesday.

About 20 people gathered in Laurel B to hear third party politicians explain their views at a forum entitled "Should You Vote for a Third Party?"

"I set this up with the expectations that there would be a mad rush to be here because of the November elections are just around the corner," said Mansfield University Politics professor and organizer of the forum, Dr. Albert Dalmolen.

According to Dalmolen there are many different third parties in existence today for voters to choose from. However, these parties rarely get the recognition the two large parties get because of stringent election regulations and lack of funding.

In order to educate individuals about third party choices, the forum presented representatives of the Green, Lib-

ertarian, and Reform parties.

Each party representative was given the opportunity to present their case and to inform the audience about what their organization stood for, their organization's history and why to vote for their party.

First up was Michael Ochs of Williamsport, a representative for the Green Party, who spoke on the party's principles concerning everything from environmental situations to war related issues.

"We (the Green Party) have been an umbrella for a number of social issues since the late 1960's," said Ochs.

According to Ochs the "Greens", as he calls them, believe that the rights of society have evolved. They also strongly oppose the implementation of policies by those who are in power and instead believe laws should be made by those who are affected by them.

This year the Greens have endorsed consumer advocate and public interest attorney Ralph Nader, running on his Concord principles, as their candidate for the United States Presidency. Nader has long been a supporter of public interest and safety, democracy, indi-

vidual and community empowerment, human rights and the environment.

Pat Fallon of Towanda, the forum representative for the Libertarian Party, and 1994 Libertarian candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania, was next to speak before the group.

Fallon explained to the audience why he choose to be a member and a governmental candidate of a third party.

"I could never shoehorn myself see **THIRD PARTY**, page 2



Photo by Brent McCallus

The MU theater season will begin the year with *The Memorandum*, a comedy by Vaclav Havel. It will show Oct. 3, 4, and 5 at 8 p.m. and on Oct. 6 at 2 p.m. in Straughn Hall. Tickets can be purchased by calling the box office at 662-4781.



## Campus Voices

by Megan Sallade

Q. "Do you think a third party should be allowed in the election?"



**Doug Bowes**  
freshman

"Most definitely; they point out issues ignored by the two main parties who say the same thing with slight shades of differences."



**Emily Watts**  
Sophomore

"Yes, I think the Green Party is the way to go. They're into peace, the environment, and nonviolence."



**Matt Noldy**  
Junior

"A third party is not a bad idea. The more the better. However it makes it mathematically impossible to have a fair vote."



**Robert Thomas**  
Senior

"Certainly. After happy hour, then the 8 to 10 party is over, I still want that third party to go to. The same thing always happens at the first two parties, but I still want that third party; that's when the fun really happens"

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into the typical Democrat and Republican political spectrum," Fallon said. "I was politically homeless."

According to Fallon the Libertarian party was begun by Republicans who were forced to rethink their party choice by President Richard Nixon's wage and price controls of 1971. Another major component of the party is its use of the non-coercion, a policy which does not advocate violence.

"We ask that you sign a pledge not to use force to get your message across," said Fallon.

This year's Libertarian presidential candidate is Harry Browne. The party also has over 1,000 other party members running for numerous congressional seats.

Last to speak was Reform Party representative Dave Schultz of Stroudsburg. Schultz is actually affiliated with the Patriot party, a party which jelled with a number of other third parties to form what is now known as the Reform party.

"Politicians need to realize that you are the boss," Schultz said.

According to Schultz, the purpose of the Reform party is to bring about financial and political action reform. The Reform party's current presidential candidate is Texas billionaire and

1992 Reform party presidential candidate H. Ross Perot.

"The fundamental principle of a third party is to bring the important issues to the attention of the nation," Shultz said.

Following the three presentations, Dalmolen opened the floor up to questions from the audience.

The main focus of the discussion turned toward financial issues that many third parties encounter.

"Because of the unfairness of the election process, most third parties may not get elected to Washington but their ideas very well may," Fallon said.

A few other issues that were raised dealt with the concepts of proportional representation, whether or not the parties represented were involved in local politics, and how to overcome traditions and get people to vote for a third party.

In closing all three representatives essentially echoed the same sentiment. Their basic message was that even though many people don't vote for a third party because they believe a third party will never win a major election, they should vote what they believe.

"If you keep doing what you've always done, then you'll end up getting what you've always got," Fallon said.

### Police Beat

09/19/96

11:15 Attempted Library Theft.

09/20/96

1:45 Medical assistance for unresponsive student, due to excessive consumption of an unknown alcoholic beverage. Subject taken to Soilder's and Sailor's Medical Hospital by Mansfield Ambulance Association.

13:04 Cedarcrest fire alarm set off by complainant making cotton candy in her dorm room. Smoke cleared, alarm reset.

12:45 Complainant reported front end damage to her vehicle, and cracks in her windshield that occurred in an unknown manner. Case remains unsolved.

09/22/96

1:20 A dispute broke out at Mark's Brothers.

8:00 Police vehicle windshield broken while parked at Brooks Maint by mischievous criminals.

18:55 2 bottles thrown from an unknown floor of Maple B. ADRL observed windows open on the fourth and sixth floors of Maple. ADRL handled situation.

09/23/96

3:20 Complaint of a fight that erupted in Cedarcrest.

11:35 Harassment by communications, obscene phone calls were received in Laurel Hall.

13:30 Spout broken off of sink in Cedarcrest in an unknown manner.

09/24/96

09:50 A vehicle was found blocking the gate to the hockey field.

10:17 Student burnt toast in cedarcrest room, setting off smoke alarms.

15:45 A female reported being sexually harassed by construction workers while walking past the new Rec Center Construction.

16:00 MU student was arrested and charged with reckless endangerment and possession of explosive or incendiary devices.

09/25/96

1:25 Odor of Marijuana in Pinecrest.

09/26/96

13:10 Shower curtains stolen from employee room by unknown person/s in an unknown manner. (No force)

23:30 Unknown Individual on roof between Maple A and B.

**Correction:** Last week, the *Flashlight* incorrectly reported that Stephanie Behe is the president of all residence hall council. She is the former president of ARHC.

## The Flashlight wants you

We would like to invite anyone interested in helping out at the *Flashlight*. The *Flashlight* is made up of students like you and we are always looking for people to help fill up that box on the left. So if you're interested, stop by the *Flashlight* office at 217 Memorial Hall and talk to one of our editors.

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# Forum focuses on black bears and their habitat

by Katie Long  
staff reporter

About 20 students gathered to listen to a presentation about Pennsylvania's black bear and its habits and lifestyle on Wednesday night in 204 Memorial Hall.

The presentation, entitled Tioga's County Black Bear Management Program was presented by Steve Gehringer, local PA Wildlife Conservation Officer, and was sponsored by the MU Student Union.

The program, which was based around a slide show, told the audience information about black bears and black bear research.

According to Gehringer, black bears can be found in 40 of Pennsylvania's 67 counties and that the bears, contrary to popular belief, are not aggressive animals.

Gehringer said that if bears really wanted to hurt humans, when they were confronted by them, they would easily be able to as they are naturally faster runners and better climbers.

"If you leave it alone and respect that bear, it won't do you harm," said Gehringer. "It's more educating the public than removing the bear."

Gehringer also explained how important a black bear's habitat is for its survival. The bears generally live in forests and prefer dense undergrowth.

"In order to manage our bears, we also have to manage our forests," said Gehringer.

Gehringer then explained how the research of black bears has devel-

oped since it began to pick up steam in 1978.

The process for studying black bears includes capturing, tagging and weighing them, all of which tells researchers about the black bear population and its overall health, Gehringer said.

"There sure is a lot of research that needs to be done," Gehringer said.

When beginning research on a bear, one of the bear's teeth is extracted in order to approximate its age. The teeth, much like trees, have rings on the inside that tell the bear's age, Gehringer said.

After calculating the bear's age and weight, the two figures are compared in order to determine the bear's overall health.

Besides research purpose, the only time a black bear is captured by Gehringer and his co-workers is when the bear is being a nuisance to the public. According to Gehringer, one way to deal with disruptive bears is by relocating them; however, relocation is usually done as a last resort.

"It is very stressful (for the bear) to relocate a bear," Gehringer said. "Sometimes people need to alleviate the situation by modifying their behaviors."

According to Gehringer, relocation is not a perfect solution as bears have strong homing instincts and have been known to travel great distances to return to their territories.

Overall, the response to the presentation from the audience was positive.

"I really enjoyed the presenta-



Photo by Katie Long

Conservation Officer Steve Gehringer discussed black bears and black bear research last Wednesday night in 204 Memorial Hall.

tion," said Michelle Coleman, junior. "I was impressed by the amount of information that Steve Gehringer had about the black bears."

According to Gehringer, there will be another wildlife presentation in two or three weeks which will deal with wild turkeys and their habits.

## Third party focuses on environmental issues faced in upcoming election

by David O'Brien  
staff reporter

Manser's North Dining Hall was host to a speech by Green Party Congressional candidate Howard Hawkins on Tuesday.

Hawkins, representative of the Syracuse, NY chapter of The Green Party, presented many statistics in his discussion of environmental and economic issues.

According to information contained within their Green Peace Conversion Plan, the Green Party states the U.S. spends 29 times more on their military expenditures than the five "rogue states" of Iran, Iraq, Lybia, North Korea and Syria.

Some of the materials available at the forum included flyers with the Green Party Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates, Ralph Nader and

Muriel Tillinghast. These flyers included theme phrasing, which Hawkins quoted in the forum.

According to a Green Party of Greater Syracuse campaign flyer, "Don't settle for a lesser evil. Vote for what you want and make the politicians come to you."

As a representative of the Green Party and candidate for the 25th Congressional District, Hawkins explained the impor-

ance of certain environmental issues such as the production of ozone depleting agents and the neglect of environmental policy by the Clinton Administration.

According to Hawkins, in his publication, *The Clinton/Gore Environmental Wreck-ord*, the Clinton Administration is responsible for the spilling of 11,000 gallons of crude oil in a marine mammal sanctuary to promote an

EPA/Coast Guard experiment in oil spill clean-up.

"President Clinton has done more to harm the environment and to weaken environmental regulations in three years than Presidents Bush and Reagan did in twelve years," said Ralph Nader, the Green Party 1996 Presidential candidate. "We have seen the regimes of a environmental destruction move from the Great Capitolator."

In response to one audience member's question, Hawkins mentioned the party's policy of "participatory democracy." This policy, which is designed to encourage common citizen activism in the process of government, aides in the establishment agenda topics for party meetings.

As the Green Party's 1996 Presidential candidate, Ralph Nader proposes in his *An Economic Bill of Rights* free quality public education from pre-school child care through graduate school.



A logo of the Green Party. They were the main topic of the forum last Tuesday in North Manser Dining Hall.

## Introductions made and homecoming discussed at Student Government meeting

by Tracy Gay and  
Katie Long  
staff reporters

On Monday September 23, the weekly Student Government Association meeting was held in 204 Memorial Hall.

New senators were welcomed. The new senators are Dante Adams, Galena Butterfield, Sara Comi, Emily Grove, Thomas Jones, Allison Miranda, Holly Northrop, and Tom Whitehair.

SGA was informed of Vice President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco's illness. He has been diagnosed as having pancreatitis and is cur-

rently at Soldier's and Sailor's Memorial Hospital in room 274. Director of Residence Life Michael LeMasters is taking over his duties until further notice.

Dr. Joseph Moore, the new provost, was also introduced to the senators. Dr. Moore said that he would like to be able to work closely with the students and faculty.

"We are here to serve the students," said Dr. Moore. "I'd like to work closely with the student government." "Generally my rule is to maintain standards and be fair and know when to make exceptions," said Dr. Moore. "My focus is we are here to serve

students."

He then opened the floor for questions from the SGA members. Topics such as independent study, non-credit classes, computer problems, and paper charges were discussed.

SGA approved to listen to Bacchus Gamma explain why SGA should give funding for speaker Bob Petricelli. Pertircelli is expected to speak during Drug and Alcohol Awareness week.

Petricelli's speech "10 Seconds...The power of One Decision" expresses how one decision to drink and drive can change your life.

The Library Resource Commit-

tee announced that the library received some funding for new resources and that the laptop computers have also arrived. Members were warned to be careful with the laptop computers and never leave them alone.

In old business, SGA decided last week to buy balloons for the homecoming festivities. The homecoming committee announced that they bought 500 balloons, for a cheaper price than originally expected, from a local woman. The excess balloons may be distributed at the homecoming football game.

SGA meetings are held every Monday in 204 Memorial Hall at 9:00 p.m.





## Around the Nation

### College tuition a headache for students and parents

WASHINGTON (AP) — A steep upward spiral in college costs has slowed, but increases in tuition will outpace inflation again this year and students are borrowing more to get degrees.

"There have been times I've had two and three jobs at one time and still went to school," said Debbie Coleman, 24, a senior at Washington's private Trinity College. "I borrowed \$1,000 this semester, but I have \$25,000 in loans already."

Ms. Coleman, expecting her first child, said her husband wonders how they'll pay off the loans.

"Yeah, it's a lot of money, but it's important," she said. "I plan on looking for a good job — \$30,000 or up."

A study released Wednesday by the College Board found that four-year public colleges and universities boosted undergraduate tuition this year an average 6 percent. Increases in the double digits occurred annually between 1991 and 1993.

At four-year private schools, students are paying about 5 percent more in tuition and fees this year, compared with a year ago, the survey said. That's the smallest increase in a decade but remains higher than inflation, hovering at 3 percent.

Room and board also went up an average of 6 percent to \$4,152 at four-year public colleges and 4 percent to \$5,361 at private schools.

The College Board, an association of 2,800 colleges, found that in-state tuition and fees, not counting room and board, now average \$2,811 at public four-year colleges and \$12,823 at private schools. The average annual cost at two-year schools was about half that amount.

The College Board's annual report said \$50.3 billion in aid was available in 1995-96 from federal, state and school sources — up 4 percent from 1994-95 and 75 percent higher than a decade ago.

Most of the increase was in the form of loans, however, not in grants. Student and parent loan volume rose 65 percent since the 1992-93 school year and, adjusted for inflation, was 8 percent higher than in 1994-95.

Alice Greene of Lake Oswego, Ore., who soon will have two children in college, said she and her lawyer husband have thought about selling one of their two cars or moving to a smaller home to pay the children's tuition. She's also thinking about going back to work as a schoolteacher.

Mrs. Greene's daughter attends Randolph-Macon Woman's College in Lynchburg, Va. Next year her son plans to go to Bowdoin College, a private liberal arts school in Brunswick, Maine.

"Between the two of them, we're talking \$50,000 a year, and that's not counting transportation and phone bills," said Greene.

Despite such horror stories, John P. Joyce, an associate director at the College Board's scholarship service, said higher education remains affordable.

"If the family focuses just on the high-priced institutions, it can be downright scary, but a majority of undergraduates are paying less than \$4,000 a year" in tuition and fees, Joyce said.

The College Board survey said only 4.3 percent of undergraduates at four-year schools pay \$20,000 or more a year in tuition and fees, and many of these are getting a hefty financial aid package from the institution.

David Warren, president of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, said private schools are trying to cut expenses and make their schools more affordable.

Some schools have cut tuition or promised not to raise it by more than the inflation rate. Muskingum College in New Concord, Ohio, gained attention when it slashed tuition by 29 percent for entering freshman this fall.

Bob Massa, dean of enrollment at Baltimore's Johns Hopkins University, doesn't expect many private schools to follow Muskingum's lead.

But, Massa admitted, "There is a heightened awareness that the price is beyond the means of the average family."

### Ray Coleman, Beatles biographer, dies at 59

LONDON (AP) — Ray Coleman, former editor of the British pop music weekly Melody Maker and biographer of The Beatles and Eric Clapton, has died at age 59.

Coleman, who reportedly had had a cancerous kidney removed, died Sept. 10 at his home near London.

Coleman had a background in newspaper reporting before he joined Melody Maker in 1960, and was credited with bringing a professional and objective interview style to a field that had been dominated by fan magazines.

He gained the trust of The Beatles at the beginning of their career when he was assigned to cover their U.S. tours in the early 1960s at the height of Beatlemania.

"He was a master at tracking people down. ... And people trusted him. He never misquoted people and never fantasized," his former editor Jack Hutton was

quoted as telling The Independent newspaper.

In 1965, Coleman became editor of sister publication Disc, but went back to Melody Maker as editor when Hutton left in 1970. He oversaw the establishment of an American edition of Melody Maker and new titles, Black Music and Musicians Only.

Ray Coleman was born in Leicester, northern England, and began his newspaper career at the age of 15 as a copy boy at the Leicester Daily Mail.

He worked as a reporter for the Brighton Evening Argus and the Manchester Evening News before starting to contribute to Melody Maker. He joined the weekly full time in 1960 and stayed until 1979 when he stepped down as editor to concentrate on freelance journalism and writing books.

### David Duke met by riot at debate over Prop 209

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hundreds of protesters stormed a campus auditorium Wednesday where former Klansman David Duke was debating affirmative action but were turned back by riot-clad police using flash-bang grenades.

There were eight to 10 arrests, police said, and at least one protester was clubbed over the head as baton-wielding police in helmets and flak jackets moved against the crowd at California State University, Northridge.

Two officers were struck by rocks and sustained minor injuries, said CSU police spokesman Michael Lordanich.

Duke was on campus to debate civil rights leader Joe Hicks on the November ballot initiative Proposition 209, which would prohibit racial or gender preferences in public hiring, education and contracting.

Campus police Lt. Mark Hissong and other officers involved in the skirmish claimed several hundred protesters had tried to storm the front door of the building.

Inside, Duke was shouted down, booed, hissed and laughed at when he said that affirmative action programs constitute "discrimination against better qualified whites."

"You're in a battle for your civil rights," Duke told whites in the racially mixed audience of 800. Another 430 watched on closed-circuit television from another building on campus.

"When blacks faced discrimination years ago, they called it just that, discrimination. Now that white people face discrimination, they call it affirmative action," Duke said.

Hicks, who is black, said that affirmative action has helped make the playing field more level.

"Discrimination is a fact of life for all too many people. ... Affirmative action has in fact done what it was supposed to," he said.

When blacks and whites of identical employment backgrounds vie for a job,

the white is still more likely to get the job, Hicks said. He said affirmative action seeks equal access to the system.

But Hicks acknowledged that poor whites should also have affirmative action extended to them.

When asked about the commotion outside, Duke replied, "Well, most of them are communists. They don't believe in the United States of America, they don't believe in freedom of speech."

Indeed, many protesters did identify themselves as communists. They marched in a circle denouncing Duke and capitalism and yelled, "Death to the fascists. Power to the workers."

Duke and Hicks, who were each paid \$4,000 for their appearances, shook hands when the 82-minute debate ended.

Dozens of protesters and police officers still milled about the area at sundown.

"I feel he should not be here," said Amir Andrews, 19, a black CSUN student protester. "The money they put up to bring him here could have been used for something else — education, computers, something like that."

Duke was invited to the campus by the CSUN student association. Supporters of Proposition 209 accused the association of doing so to inflame passions against the measure.

"It's obviously a cynical ploy. The same people who invited David Duke on campus are the ones protesting here today," said Dan Ruppel, 21, a member of CSUN's College Republicans.

Associated Students President Vladimir Cerna, who was key to bringing Duke to the campus, rejected the charge.

"The fact that Mr. Duke was affiliated with the Ku Klux Klan is completely irrelevant to the subject," he said. "We anticipated exactly this type of reaction. If I had a chance to do it all again I would."

As a Louisiana state representative in 1990, Duke authored a bill to ban affirmative action. The bill, one of the first of its kind in the nation, passed the state House but died in the Senate.

### John Travolta elected to star in film version of Primary Colors

NEW YORK (AP) — John Travolta has signed a multimillion-dollar contract to play what could be his most controversial role ever: a womanizing Southern governor said to be modeled on President Clinton.

The New York Post reports that Travolta will star in a movie of "Primary Colors," based on a novel by Newsweek columnist Joe Klein that was loosely based on Clinton's 1992 campaign. Filming is scheduled to start next March.

The Post quoted an anonymous Hollywood insider as saying that Travolta would make an estimated \$15 million. He signed the deal after Tom Hanks pulled

out, reportedly at Clinton's request, the Post said.

Hanks has denied that Clinton didn't want him in the movie and said that he bowed out only because he was fully booked for 1997 with a 13-hour series on the moon project for Home Box Office and a new Steven Spielberg film.

The fictitious governor's bisexual wife in "Primary Colors," may be played by Emma Thompson, the Post said.

The political novel was published under the byline "Anonymous," setting up a literary mystery solved when The Washington Post unmasked Klein in July.

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## Three major parties are better than two

With the Presidential election looming on the minds of voting Americans, everyone should be asking who to vote for. This week, the Mansfield University community had the opportunity to hear about several alternative political parties that they may not have known about.

In case you missed it, there were two forums this week that focused on third parties in this country. One forum talked about the Green Party. The other talked about the Libertarian Reform, as well as the Green Party.

Yes, there are parties in this country other than the Democratic and the Republican parties. Unfortunately, the minor parties don't get the same coverage as the two major parties and they are generally special interest based. Over the history of this country, the United States government has become a two party system. A system that does not allow room or space for other parties and their ideas.

We really don't have much choice in the political power structure. Unless you vote for either the Democrats or the Republicans, your vote is lost on a party that won't come close to winning.

This is not to say that a vote cast for a third party is a wasted vote. It does lend some credence to the existence of these parties. Each vote adds to their support, but often not many people know about them.

This editorial is not to encourage anyone to vote for a third party. We are just saying that the public should be aware of their existence and know that there is a choice.

The lack of exposure of third parties only helps explain why these parties are not generally put into power. The September 19 issue of *The New York Times* listed the reasons why Ross Perot will not be allowed in the Presidential debates. According to this article, the criteria used to exclude Perot included the amount of exposure that he received in the media, the opinions of university political scientists, and the opinions of the Washington bureau chiefs of the major news organizations. Basically, if the candidate has been perceived as not having a realistic chance to win the election, that person is not allowed in the debates.

This smacks of an attempt to control the power structure of the country. Is the current establishment seriously going to allow some upstarts to have a chance at taking power? Of course not.

If the minor parties were given a voice in the media and in the debates, most likely the "Republicrats" and "Demopublicans" would not remain in power forever.

What it comes down to is that we want another choice. Maybe the American system is working and maybe it isn't. Regardless of this, a people should have the right to know everyone who is running for office and on what platform.

There seems to be a push toward making this country an exclusively two party state. There are so many rules governing who can get what kind of exposure that a minor party is not able to have its voice heard. This is precisely because those in power will not let them have their voice.

Granted, a Presidential debate that would include every party with a legitimate candidate would be unwieldy at best. However, the Democratic process that we supposedly have in this country demands it. Americans deserve a wide choice in who runs the government. True choice will only come when we have more choices than simply Democrat or Republican.



## Student's mother shows appreciation in wake of loss

To M.U. Students and Staff.

Thank you very much for being there for me. I know for Joe being a freshman, he made a lot of friends. We will all miss him. I appreciate everything you have done for me. I know for Joe

being a freshman, he made a lot of friends. We will all miss him. I appreciate everything you have done for me. This is very hard for me to write the right words so everyone understands. If Joe would be here, He would say, "Mom it's alright, let it be

this way." So again I thank you very much.

Sincerely,  
Linda (Joe's mother)

## Student congratulates WNTE on expected upgrade

To the editor:

I'd like to offer a hearty congratulations to WNTE on their future upgrade. As a commuter student I'm excited to know that I will be able to hear Giant 89 at home. I know I miss out on a lot of campus happenings and information because I can't

listen at home.

The Flashlight editorial that was anti-upgrade is right, student radio should be for the students. It should not have to be concerned with what others may think about the material it airs. But, the students of Mansfield University are not confined to the campus. Our student population extends well

beyond campus borders and we can all benefit from listening to WNTE.

Again, congratulations WNTE and keep up the good work.

Nicole Jackson

### Commentary policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary you may turn it in to the Flashlight office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writer's name, major, class and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week, we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.

### Letters to the editor policy

The Flashlight is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is not willing to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

The Flashlight reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length or clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off at the Flashlight office, 217 Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday, or mailed to the above address.



## Commentary

# Even more bizarre things that guys take part in



**Dave Barry**

Today we present another part of our ongoing series, "Stuff That Guys Do."

Our first example of guys doing stuff comes from the University of Washington Daily, which on Feb. 27 published a report written by Jeremy Simer and sent in by alert reader Donna Bellinger, headlined "Fraternity Game Turns Into Arrest."

What happened, according to this report, was that some guys were up on the roof of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity house, and, as guys will do when they spend any time together in an elevated location, they began sharing their innermost feelings.

I am of course kidding. These guys, being guys, began dropping things off the roof, starting with smaller items, and eventually escalating - this is when the police were summoned - to a chair and a rowing machine.

A fraternity member is quoted as follows: "We're frat guys. What can you say?"

Far be it from me to indulge in sex stereotyping here, but I am willing to bet that the reaction of you readers to this story is divided along gender lines, as follows:

**FEMALE REACTION:** "Why would anybody do anything so STUPID?"

**MALE REACTION:** "A rowing machine! COOL!"

The simple truth is that guys have this overpowering urge to watch stuff fall and crash. If you ever see an inappropriate object, such as a piano, hurtling toward the Earth from a great height, you can be virtually certain that guys are responsible.

Ask yourself this question: If you were standing in the middle of a bridge spanning a magnificent wilderness gorge, at the bottom of which was a spectacular whitewater river, what would you do?

**FEMALE RESPONSE:** Admire the view.

**MALE RESPONSE:** Spit.

Yes, the truth is that there are few things that a guy enjoys more than proudly watching a gob of spit - HIS spit; spit that HE produced - falling a tremendous distance. This is a male impulse that females frankly cannot relate to, just as males cannot relate to the female impulse to go into greeting-card stores and spend hours shopping for greeting cards even when there is no particular occasion or person you need to send a greeting card

to, which is what women frequently do when guys are out spitting.

I am not suggesting here that all guys ever do is drop stuff. Sometimes they also throw stuff, and sometimes this can lead to trouble. I have in my possession an official U.S. government memorandum, sent to me by an alert but anonymous reader, that was written last year by Paul E. Thompson, acting director, Western Region, Inspection Operations, Food and Safety Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Here is the first paragraph of this memorandum, which I absolutely swear I am not making up:

"This is to remind all personnel of the danger and inadvisability of engaging in activities commonly referred to as 'Horseplay.' A few examples of horseplay include, but are not limited to: throwing spleens, squirting water, and flipping lymph nodes."

In professional journalism, we have an old saying that we frequently say, which goes like this: "You do not print a story about federal employees engaging in horseplay involving spleens or lymph nodes without making a sincere effort to get the other side." So I contacted the USDA's Western Region office, which is located - and let this be a lesson to those who claim that the federal government is poorly managed - in the West.

I spoke with Dr. Bruce Kaplan, a public affairs specialist, who explained that, "on rare occasions," poultry and meat inspectors, as well as plant employees, will become bored and flip meat and

poultry organs at each other. (He did not specifically state that these were guys doing this, but some things go without saying.)

"In the poultry plants, they will flip spleens," explained Dr. Kaplan. "In the red-meat plants, they will flip lymph nodes."

Dr. Kaplan stressed that "there is absolutely no danger in terms of food safety." The problem, he said, is the safety of plant workers: "When they walk on the floor where these organs fall, they could slip."

In hopes of making the public more aware of the potential danger, I asked Dr. Kaplan to describe a poultry spleen.

"These are little small spleens," he explained. "They're tiny little slippery spleens."

I think we can draw several conclusions from this story:

1. First and foremost, "Slippery Spleens" would be an excellent name for a rock band.

2. Although it has become fashionable to knock "big government," we must not forget that, without the quick and decisive action by the USDA in the form of acting director Thompson's memorandum, the ordinary public, in the form of food-plant workers, would have no protection from the threat of slipping on organs flipped by USDA inspectors.

3. If the USDA ever has a shortage of inspectors, it should definitely consider recruiting members of Theta Delta Chi.

## Usually a blessing, ads can also be a curse

**Connie Cass**

WASHINGTON (AP) - More than ever, the nation's airwaves are humming with political ads for candidates that are paid for by someone else. Such gifts from big-spending friends are usually a boon - but they can be a bust.

Take the case of Mike Enzi, a Republican Senate candidate in Wyoming forced to distance himself from his own party's TV advertising blitz.

Wyoming voters can't turn on the late news or watch "Wheel of Fortune" these days without seeing the ads criticizing Enzi's opponent, Kathy Karpan, as "way too liberal."

Unfortunately for the Enzi campaign, the first of the ads criticized Karpan's support of a tax increase that Enzi himself voted for in the state Senate. The ad was criticized by Democrats and blasted in newspaper editorials. Enzi and state Republican leaders even denounced the ad but it continued to air - sending voters a mixed message.

Voters don't like the negative tone of the ads, "and it's costing us," complained Enzi's campaign manager, Gale Geringer.

The controversial ad was created and paid for by the National Republican Senatorial Committee in Washington, under a new law that prohibits the party from talking to Enzi about its plans. Geringer said when she called to protest the ad, no one would talk to her.

No candidate minds a little help from friends, said Geringer. But, "Let's have smarter, more thoughtful friends."

It's a sentiment candidates have long shared. Just ask George Bush.

During his 1988 presidential campaign, Bush found it difficult to distance himself from a conservative group's racially tinged ad about Willie Horton, a convicted murderer who raped a woman while on furlough from a Massachusetts prison. The ad accused Gov. Michael Dukakis, the Democratic presidential nominee, of being soft on crime.

Democrats accused Bush of secretly giving the ad his blessing. Whether he liked it or not, many analysts think the ad helped Bush win.

Candidates' protests ring hollow if they appear to benefit from the ads they condemn.

This year the issue of independent ads - most often attack ads - is cropping up more than ever. The political parties and numerous outside groups - unions, environmentalists, business coalitions - have already spent millions to aggressively exploit sections of election law that allow them to spend money outside of the legal campaign contribution limits.

"This election is going to be a very big test of the power of outside money, interest group money, in advertising," said Stephen D. Ansolabehere, associate professor of political science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"To what extent are ads like this going to hurt the candidate who is supposed to be helped?" Ansolabehere said. "This is the kind of thing political consultants are wondering very much about right now."

The newest wrinkle in the law

comes from a Supreme Court decision in June that allows parties to spend unlimited amounts of money helping their candidates - provided the ads aren't coordinated with those they're supposed to help.

In just three weeks, the GOP has spent at least \$700,000 to air independent TV ads to help Enzi in Wyoming and Republican Senate candidates in Rhode Island and Louisiana, according to financial records and estimates.

Democratic Party leaders, who lag behind the GOP in fund-raising, have questioned the legality of the Republican ads. But Democratic senatorial committee officials say are considering their own "independent spending" campaign.

Some observers say the whole idea defies belief.

"The notion that either political party can make a truly independent expenditure on behalf of a candidate is utter nonsense," said Ellen Miller, director of the non-partisan Center for Responsive Politics, which studies campaign financing.

That's the reaction many candidates, including Enzi, get from their opponents when they argue they had no say in the ads.

"If you believe that, I've got a bridge in Brooklyn I want to sell you," said Karpan, the Democrat opposing Enzi. She estimated the Republicans spent about \$200,000 over three weeks on the ads - a huge amount in a sparsely populated state like Wyoming.

Still, most candidates are happy for the help.

"It's kind of bizarre to have somebody else doing an ad about your candidate that you have absolutely no control over," said Robert Coupe, who manages Rhode Island Republican Nancy Mayer's Senate campaign.

The party has spent at least \$100,000 to air independent ads about Mayer, records show. But the ads are remarkably similar to the Mayer campaign's own TV spots.

"In our case," he said, "it's worked out really well."

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# OUT OF CONTEXT

## Rocket boosters can be quite a blast

*An explosive trip in a Chevy Impala wins this year's Darwin Award*

by Josh Cusatis  
editor of rocket launchers

I'm sure a lot of you out there have parents that bring funny things home from work. They get these things off of the Internet or through fax machines. You know what I mean. They're along the lines of, "Why I can't wear shorts."

Well, this past summer, my father brought home what I believe to be the king of every stupid little print out to ever have come out of an office. Trust me on this one.

I do not know where this came from or who wrote it. All I know is that "The Darwin Awards" and the date and time are printed on the top of the page.

As it goes, the Darwin Award is given out once a year to the person who kills him or herself in the stupidest manner, thereby reaffirming the stupidity of the human race.

Last year, they gave the award to a man who was killed when a soda vending machine fell on top of him as he was attempting to get a free soda out of the machine.

This year they gave it to a "man" (I say "man" because they were unable to tell) who killed himself in a manner that I feel should end the Darwin Awards for good.

Keep in mind, I can't remember all of this exactly.

According to the print out, a police officer was out on patrol some-

where in Arizona or New Mexico and came to a turn in the road. At the sharpest point of the turn there was a cliff rising from the road like the ones that are made when they cut away a mountain to make a safe passage for a road.

The officer found what looked like the wreckage of an airplane in the cliff and alerted the proper people. This is what those people discovered:

The wreckage was the twisted remains of a 1967 Chevy Impala. They were unable to determine the identity of driver of the vehicle.

This is where things get really good.

Apparently, the "man" was able to get his hands on a JATO unit. A JATO unit is a rocket booster that the military attaches to very large airplanes to assist them in takeoff. They usually use four of these units but one can create over a couple hundred thousand pounds of thrust.

This "man" then took this JATO unit (it was never mentioned where he got it) and attached it to the back bumper of his 1967 Chevy Impala. He found a four mile stretch of straight, flat road and prepared for the ride of his life (heh, heh).

He got up a little speed and, when he felt the time was right, fired the JATO unit. This subjected him to the same amount of G-forces that an F-14 pilot could be expected to endure. This basically, "rendered him insignificant for the rest of the event."

Again, keep in mind that I don't remember this exactly and might get

some of these numbers wrong.

The whole event lasted no more than 25-30 seconds. At about 15 seconds into the event the car reached 350 mph.

"The driver, soon to be pilot," applied the brakes which immediately melted them as evidenced by a long, black streak that was left behind on the road surface.

For the last 1.5 miles of the driver's final trip, his 1967 Chevy Impala became the first ever Chevy airplane and also became the first ever piloted projectile weapon. The car impacted into the cliff making a 3 foot deep crater and (heh, heh) became embedded in the cliff 250 feet above the ground.

The people who conducted the investigation discovered nothing more of the driver than bits of tooth, nail, bone, and hair which was extracted from what they feel is the steering wheel.

There was a, "moral to the story," which was something along the lines of, "speeding never killed anyone." What kind of moral is that? After that story I don't really think a moral is very necessary.

In my opinion, the Darwin Awards is a necessary institution and is doing the human race a bit of good. We get so into ourselves and become so egotistical that we forget how inherently moronic we are.

Some of my friends who have philosophy classes asked me whether I feel the human race is intrinsically good or intrinsically evil. As far as I'm concerned we are intrinsically egotistical.

This is why I feel that way.

When we move into a Third World country that is suffering from, say famine, it is very egotistical of us to think that we have the ability to cure their suffering or that we have the right to expose them to our ways of life while we are there. As if we are making their lives "better" by letting them listen to the Beatles and giving them some Chicklets.

Sally Struther's head is as big as her hips.

And again. In the movie "Independence Day" (a very good 80's, big budget, fat head flick by the way) it was very egotistical to think that we: deserve the Earth, are better than the alien race attacking us, have any right to completely kill off the alien race, and think that the Earth has a different fate than the one the alien race had devised.

But I digress. Its only a movie.

If you happen to have read this column this far and not lost interest. I thank you because you have just been exposed to a strange way of thought. If you don't agree with that strange way of thought then write a Letter to the Editor or, even better, stop by the Flashlight office and discuss your feelings with me. I'm always interested in an intelligent conversation. Just don't wander around complaining to your acquaintances that you think I'm stupid because the Darwin Awards will be given out again next year and we still don't know who the recipient will be.

But again, I digress.

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# Bombers drop bomb on Mounties football

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team lost a tough game Saturday, September 21 by a score of 59-23 to the Ithaca Bombers.

The Bombers scored the first 42 points of the game before the Mounties got on the board.

"We're still a really young team," said second year head coach Joe Viadella. "When problems occur we're not mentally tough enough to counter the set backs."

Ithaca scored on its first five possessions of the game, the first coming at 12:33 off a 16 yd run by sophomore runningback Eric Amorese. Late in the first quarter Ithaca would score three times in five minutes to take a 28 point lead into the second quarter.

"We need to get our heads together," Mountie running back Dave Banyar said. "We seem to lack intensity from the beginning and need to pick it up at the end of the game."

Ithaca continued their dominance in the second quarter when Bombers wide receiver Jeff Higgins scored two consecutive touchdowns on a 70-yard punt return and 34-yard pass from quarterback Neal Weidman.

The Mounties finally got on the board late in the second quarter when right tackle Joe Scriba capitalized on a

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forced safety. Before the half was over true-freshman running back Lee Brannon scored the first of his two touchdowns of the game carrying the ball five yards making the score 42-9 with kicker Jason Johnston's extra point.

"We're just not scoring a lot of points," said sophomore wide receiver Pete Herchik. "We're losing the field position battles."

Ithaca counter attacked with three more scores before MU's Brannon scored on a two yard run with 13:26 left to play in the game. With 10:40 left to play Mountie junior wideout Don Harer scored on a 25-yard pass from freshman quarterback Lucas Smith closing out the scoring for both teams.

"Defensively we're not getting the play out of people that we wanted," Viadella said. "This week we made some adjustments in the secondary."

Mountie running back Jason Donadi became seventh on the all-time rushing list with 1,038-yards in his career and 334 on the season. Ithaca marked the third straight game Donadi has rushed for over 100-yards. Smith connected on 21 of 39 passes for 361-yards. Herchik pulled down five passes for 148-yards.

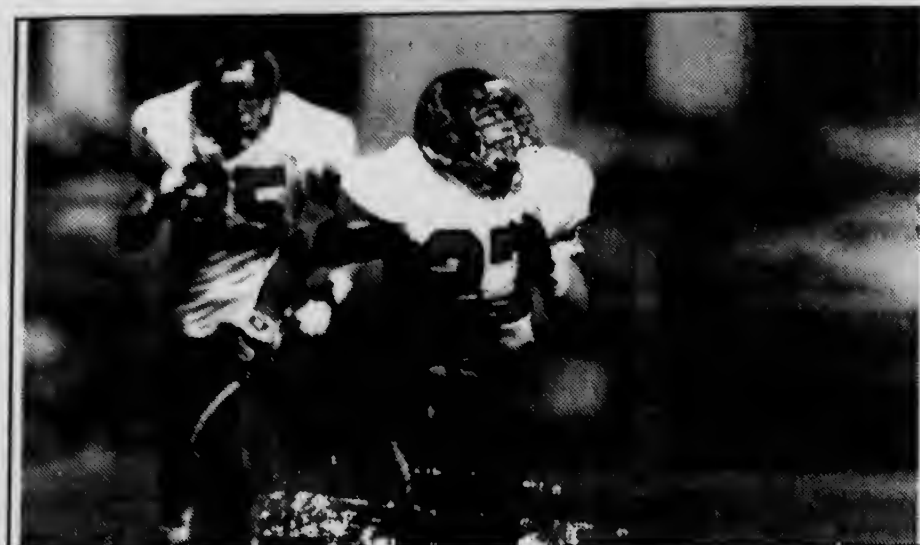


Photo by Thad Woodward

Jeremiah Van Orden (27) led the team with eight tackles in the Mounties 59-23 loss to Ithaca Saturday. This weekend Mansfield takes on Lock Haven.

"When you look at our team as a whole and their team as a whole, their defense dominated our defense and their offense dominated our offense," Donadi said.

Mountie defensive back Jeremiah Van Orden led the team with

eight tackles and a pass break-up. J.J. Cleaver and senior Jim Nicholson each chipped in with seven.

The Mounties will travel to Lock Haven University this Saturday to take on the Bald Eagles. Game time is slated for 7:30 at Hubert Jack Stadium.

## Mounties face winless Lock Haven Bald Eagles

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

The Mountaineers actually outgained the Blue Bombers last week. They compiled 515 total yards to Ithaca's 504.

The Mounties have had good scoring from their special teams as well. Jason Johnston, the junior place-kicker, has connected on two of his three field goal attempts. In the first game of the season, he kicked a career-best 45 yarder against Cortland.

Despite a good kicking game for the Mounties, their coverage teams have not been doing well. Ithaca returned a punt 70 yards for a touchdown against the Mounties. They also blocked a punt against the Mountaineers.

Although Mansfield's offense is ranked fifth in the PSAC, their defense is ranked twelfth. They give up an average of 439 yards a game.

Lock Haven's offense is ranked 13th so the Mountaineer defense should find it easier to stymie the scoring threat. The Bald Eagles are 12th in passing and dead last in rushing.

The key to this week's game will be the first half. The Mounties have gotten off to a poor start the last two games.

"We haven't been sharp for the start of our last two games and we need to shake that off and get ready to play Lock Haven," said Head Coach Joe Viadella. "Mental errors have really hurt us over the past two weeks, but hopefully we can correct them against Lock Haven."

The Mansfield Mountaineers football team travels to Lock Haven this Saturday to do battle with the winless Bald Eagles.

Saturday's game will be the third consecutive road game that the Mountaineers will have played. It will also be Lock Haven's home-opener and the first night game the Mounties have played this year. This marks the second week in a row that Mansfield has played a team that is opening at home. Last week the Mounties fell to the Ithaca Blue Bombers, 59-23, at Ithaca.

The Mountaineers do have a balanced offensive attack. Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith is steadily improving behind a relatively veteran offensive line. He is third in the PSAC in total offense amassing an average of 386 yards per game.

Smith's favorite targets are in the backfield. Jason Donadi, junior running back, has caught ten passes for 83 yards. Nate Davis, the ex-marine freshman fullback, has caught nine passes for a team best 154 yards.

Mansfield's ground game is potent as well. Donadi is well on his way to a 1,000 yard season. If he accomplished this feat, it would be the first time in Mountaineer history. Last week he rumbled for 108 yards against Ithaca. He now averages 111 yards per game.

## 1996 Mountie Football Schedule

### SEPTEMBER:

7 SUNY Cortland  
14 at Southern Connecticut State  
21 at Ithaca College  
28 at Lock Haven

### OCTOBER:

5 Millersville  
12 at Bloomsburg  
19 Kutztown  
26 at West Chester University

2 East Stroudsburg University  
9 at Cheyney University  
16 Clarion University

## 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	99	42	.424	653	1	3	5
Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
J. Donadi	10	83	0	J. Donadi	81	334	1
M. Hanley	2	50	0	D. Banyar	12	47	0
N. Davis	9	154	0	L. Smith	24	54	3
L. Brannon	1	2	0	L. Brannon	22	88	2
M. Brezovech	2	49	0	N. Davis	3	10	0
P. Herchik	5	148	0	Punting	No.	Yds.	Av.
B. Woodward	3	54	0	M. Hanley	19	680	35.8
Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	2	66	0				
C. Morrison	1	9	0				
J. Ludwig	1	1	0				
M. Hanley	1	8	0				
M. Williams	1	1	0				
Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD	Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	TD
J. Williams	5	28	0	L. Brennon	8	116	0
J. Curto	1	5	0				
Sacks: Joel Kargbo (2-20yds)							
Tackle Leaders: M. Williams (15), J. Nicholson (10), J. VanOrden (9), C. Morrison (9), J. Kargbo (8), J.J. Cleaver (8), J. Ludwig (7), M. Guzevich (7) R. Entrot (6) M. Abrachinsky (4),							
Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	3	0-0					20
L. Brannon	2						12
J. Johnston						2-3	9
J. Donadi	1						6



# Mansfield's Stroble and Vosburgh tie for first

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

Mansfield University's Randy Stroble and Dana Vosburgh both finished with an unprecedented win in the 12th Annual Baptist Bible College Cross Country Invitational on Saturday, September 21.

This invitational hosted, other than Mansfield, Baptist Bible College, Valley Forge Military College, University of Scranton, Lycoming College, Lebanon Valley College, Valley Forge

Christian College, Cabrini College, Marywood College, and Susquehanna University.

In the last quarter mile of the course, Stroble and Vosburgh ran together to tie in the time of 28:29 to finish in first place.

The final team results for the men was the University of Scranton in first, Mansfield University in second, Lycoming College in third, Lebanon Valley in fourth, Baptist Bible College in fifth, Valley Forge Military College in sixth, Valley Forge Christian College in seventh, Cabrini College in eighth,

Marywood College in ninth, and Susquehanna University did not complete.

In the women's results, Eileen Socorso of the University of Scranton finished first. The University of Scranton, in the women's run, also finished second through fifth place.

The women Mounties cross country team did not complete the invitational. Mansfield's Colleen Ryder, however, finished 11th for the Mountaineers.

The women's team results were as follows: University of Scranton

in first, Susquehanna University in second, Lycoming College in third, Lebanon Valley in fourth, Valley Forge Christian College in fifth, Baptist Bible College in sixth, and Cabrini College in seventh.

"I was very pleased with the entire teams performance, unfortunately we were hurt by a couple of key absences, but we're hoping to continue to improve," said Mansfield Mountaineers cross country head coach Jim Taylor.

The MU men's and women's cross country meet will be on October 25 at Bloomsburg University with Lock Haven University.

## Mountie field hockey team improves record to 3-2

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer field hockey team defeated Marywood College Monday, September 23 by a score of 1-0 in overtime.

"We did what we had to do to

stay in the game," said first year head coach Vickie Sax.

The game went into double overtime where the score remained 0-0. Mountie freshmen Alyssa Gates and Shanna Vitale scored in the first round of penalty strokes giving each team two scores a piece.

In the second round of strokes,

senior Missy Tyson shot the first one home and Gates scored the second, winning the game for Mansfield by a score of 1-0.

"We played well," Sax said. "It was a great hustling performance."

Overall, Mansfield (2-2) had 35 shots on goal compared to Marywood's 11.

On Saturday, September 21 the Mounties were defeated 2-0 by the University of Albany.

Albany scored a goal in each of the periods to give their team the victory.

Mansfield had 24 shots on goal while Albany only had 19 overall shots.

The Mounties beat SUNY-Oneonta 1-0 Thursday, September 26.

Renee Phillips scored the Mounties only goal at the 24:14 mark in the first period.

The Mounties next action is Saturday against Shippensburg.

## Chops, Pocket-protector, and Honus on Sports

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

It seems that a sizeable population of SportsCenter fiends live in my apartment house.

These grown men can be found every day, glued to their Lazyboys watching ESPN from dusk till the professional armwrestling comes on just before lunch.

They can "Dohh!" and "Gouhh!" before Dan Patrick and Keith Olberman can even think about it.

Actually, I am beginning to question if their uncanny resemblance to the famed McGinty brothers is just coincidence.

If I could just harness the combined intellect of these goliaths of gridiron trivia and diviners of diamond notes,

I might be able to boost the popularity and readership of the Flashlight into the upper stratosphere.

(Well maybe just the sports section. Who needs real news?)

When I approached these entertainment sports superbrains about donating their wisdom and knowledge to the Flashlight, they had one thing to say: "Give us \$7.50 for a case of Pabst Light and we'll say anything you want us too."

Sounded like a good idea to me.

Well this is what was said when Chris "Pocket-Protector" Lance, Mark "Chops" Robinson, and I, Joe "Honus" Wagner sat down and conversed.

(I, being the only representative from the Flashlight, asked most of the questions. They drank most of the Pabst.)

Honus: "Did you guys watch the Jets vs. the Giants game last Sunday?"

Chops: "Oh yeah, the battle of the beatens!"

Pocket-protector: "I'm disgruntled! The Jets are my team."

Chops: "Who won that game anyway?"

P.P.: "It doesn't matter...sigh..."

Honus: "Will the Jets ever win?"

P.P.: "The Jets will beat the Redskins by three this week."

Chops: "Hell, I got Washington by 20!"

P.P. (changing the subject): "I told you that the Panthers were going to beat San Francisco."

Chops: "Oh, South Buffalo..."

P.P.: "He says that all the Bills went to the Panthers so that's why he calls it (Carolina) South Buffalo. But I think that the Bills winning was a fluke!"

Chops: "Bills...What!!! What are you talkin' about? Buffalo Bills baby! Ya' can't lose with the Buffalo Bills!"

P.P.: "Thurman Thomas will never make it to the Hall of Fame!"

Honus: "Oh come on! Thomas is the second best running back out of the backfield catching the pass..."

P.P.: "...second best from the Bills."

Honus: "Next question. The Bills offensive line was pushing the Cowboys defensive line all over the field last week. What..."

Chops: "Dallas sucks!"

Honus: "Well, Haley was injured..."

Chops: "He's old and he's a has been!"

P.P.: "The Cowboys don't seem to be playing very inspired football. They seem very complacent if you compare them with how the Colts were playing. The Colts, after the played were running off the field and back on. They looked sharp, disciplined and focused. Whereas the Cowboys..."

Chops: "Come on Mr. Dallas!!!"

Honus: "Is Michael Irvin going to bring back discipline when he returns?"

Chops: "Discipline? All he's going to bring back is heroin and cocaine. What are you talkin about?"

P.P.: "I don't think that...UH...I think that he will help but I don't think that that is the entire problem..."

Chops: "Yeah, he'll get them back on track...literally!"

Honus: "While we're talking about receivers, let's say something about Keyshawn Johnson."

Chops: "Keyshawn who?"

P.P.: "I think they should make a rule where rookies aren't allowed to ride in limos. They should make them ride in Cavaliers."

Chops: "Personally, I liked his touchdown dance. It was a lot better than Deion's. I think it was so much better...I think that it showed so much emotion,

so much anger..."

P.P.: "Not anger."

Chops: "Yeah anger. His anger toward the media, and then his happiness that he actually got there in the end-zone with his J.E.T.S."

P.P.: "Jets!Jets!Jets!Jets!Jets!Jets!"

Honus: "Okay. How 'bout some baseball? Who are your picks for the World Series?"

Chops: "Yankees in six."

Honus: "Playing who?"

Chops: "Playing the Braves."

P.P.: "The Padres aaaaand..."

Chops: "The Padres? HAHA"

P.P.: "...and Cleveland. That's if Kenny Lofton is healthy. And Albert Belle will be the MVP and he'll hit the game winning home-run in the final game."

Chops: "He's a classy guy. I like him bowling over everybody."

P.P.: "I'll bet him and his wife get along real good."

Chops: "I wonder how Albert Belle would do on Marge Schott's team? I bet that would go over real good."

Honus: "Him and Bobby Cox probably could get together and beat their wives."

P.P.: "And then go and win the World Series. What the hell?"

Honus: "Does the Braves pitching staff match up against the Yankees? That is who'll they'll most likely be playing in the Series"

Chops: "Their the best pitching money can buy."

P.P.: "I think that the Yankees will match up better than people think, because they have alot of left-handed and switch-hitters."

Chops: "I agree with that. I think the Yankees match up pretty good, IF they get there."

P.P.: "HA! With Smoltz being there ace...HAHAHAHA...It'll be interesting!"

P.P.: "Let sec... what else can we talk about? Auto racing?"

Honus: "Turn left."

P.P.: "What? No auto racing?"

Chops: "Dick Trickle!"

Honus: "Mr. You-know-who!"

P.P.: "Hey! He got 13th in a race here a while ago. I say good job Dick!"

## Mansfield softball wins at Lycoming

by Jackie Williams  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University softball team picked up three strong victories last Saturday at the Lycoming Invitational.

All three wins were won in the fifth inning due to the "Mercy Rule."

"The wins were good for the team. Fall ball is so important for us in getting our plays together because we can't get on the field in the Spring until the first game", said Head Softball Coach Edith Gallagher.

Pitching the complete game against Lycoming College was sophomore Missy Stock.

She led her team to an 11-3 win over the host of the tournament.

Freshman pitcher, Kelly Morris, went the distance in the second game against Misericordia, winning 11-2.

Both pitchers combined to pick up the 10-4 win over Juniata College in the third game.

According to Gallagher, there was a big difference between the first weekend of the Fall season and the second tournament.

"The freshmen were really jittery in their first games, but they had worked out the kinks by the second weekend", said Gallagher.

Gallagher explained that despite the strong defensive effort put forth by the team so far, they will continue to concentrate on this area of the game until the players have learned all of the new defensive strategy.

The Mounties will face a sure test of their playing ability this Sunday when they travel to a day-long tournament at the home of Division I, Bucknell University.



# Fabulous 1890's weekend a raving success

## Students and townspeople turn out in record numbers for festival

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

Thanks to good weather and celebratory attitudes, last weekend's fifth annual 1890's festivities held in Mansfield's Smythe Park was well received and enjoyed by both students and local residents, said Dennis Miller, Mansfield University public relations director.

"I think the good weather was a major factor in the turn out," Miller said. "The real key though, was the motor-less parade. I think that convinced a lot of people to come down to the park and see what we're all about."

1890's Weekend is a celebration of Mansfield's heritage as having been the sight of the world's first night football game. The weekend features many activities that are centered around the 1890's period in Mansfield's history and it is Mansfield's way of showing pride in its past, Miller said.

The good weather, along with a larger turnout, has led Miller to believe that 1890's has finally accomplished what it set out to be when it started five years ago.

"We (the 1890's organizers) think that it (the 1890's Weekend) has become a tradition," Miller said. "That's what we wanted all along."

While the festival was cut down in size this year physically, Miller claims the festival did not lose anything.

"We had the same amount of activities this year as past years," Miller said. "We, however, shrunk the actual size of the activities."

According to Miller, some of the cut downs were made in an effort to give the celebration a more "streamlined" look and feel.

"We cut down the two tents we had (last year) and combined them into one tent," Miller said. "(The two separate tents) kept the crowd divided and we felt that it was defeating our goals for the audience. We wanted to compact all of the activities into one field to keep everyone in one area."

According to Miller, the decision to compact the events was not only made by the organizers of 1890's but also by the vendors involved.

"The food vendors always felt as though they were isolated," Miller said. "We (the 1890's organizers) tried

to incorporate them with everything else."

Miller said that the 1890's organizers will be looking at the results of this year's celebration in an attempt to make next year's festivities the best they can be.

"Next year is going to be bigger," Miller said.

Business wise this year, the 1890's organization received a good amount of organization donations from local businesses and vendor sales were also good.

"The donations we (the 1890's organizers) received from the businesses were overwhelming," Miller said. "I know that the Edgewood Restaurant did very well with their sales."

Miller said that the fireworks after the First Night Football Game Reenactment this year were longer than in years past.

"Normally, the fireworks last only ten minutes but this year they lasted about 14 minutes," Miller said.

All in all, Miller would like to thank the people who got involved and made this year's 1890's Weekend a success.

"I'd like to give a huge thanks to the students, organizations, and businesses that donated time and/or money to this year's festival," Miller said.

### Reactions to the Festival

Among the people who attended 1890's Weekend there were mixed emotions about all aspects of the celebration.

"It (1890's Weekend) should be a little bigger," said Steve Spencer, a Mansfield local. "It's not even close as compared to earlier years. I miss the psychics and some of the other attractions."

Another student felt the 1890's festival did not live up to its expectations.

"As far as I'm concerned, the Fabulous 1890's Weekend wasn't so fabulous," said Robert Thomas, a Mansfield University senior. "It lacked originality, it has to evolve in order to keep me interested. It's a great idea and attraction for the area but it needs more variety."

Not every student had a negative reaction though.

"I thought that the 1890's Weekend was impressive overall," said Marla Bastone, a MU senior.



Photo by Brent McCallus

A cowboy entertains the crowd at the fabulous 1890's weekend. The festival took place from September 20th through the 22nd, and included a variety of nineteenth century activities

When it came to the First Night Football Game Reenactment, people crowded around the field and competed for a good vantage point from which they could witness the traditional event.

"It's a piece of history, so, of course I wanted to see it," said Peggy Settel, a MU senior.

The fireworks were also a strong draw. Especially for university students.

"I really wanted to see them (the fireworks)," Settel said.

As far as attendance was concerned, some people were happy with the turn out.

"It was a good sized crowd," Bastone said. "There were a lot of people there from both the town and the university."

This didn't seem to be everybody's view though.

"There wasn't a good turn out when I was there which was early Friday afternoon," Thomas said.

Still, some people who attended the event seemed to feel that the atten-

dance was particularly good.

"The turn out was tremendous," said Lisa Truskowsky, a MU junior. "It was just incredible."

Everyone seemed to have their own reason for attending the festivities last weekend.

"I missed the fireworks on the fourth of July so I was pretty excited to see them this time," Bastone said. "It's also my last year here so I wanted to go and see the First Night Football Game Reenactment so I could say that I had seen part of history."

Another student was interested in seeing the reenactment football game

"I like to come every year and see the AXP (Alpha Chi Rho) brothers reenact the football game," Settel said. "It's one of the big events of the academic year here in Mansfield."

Overall, 1890's Weekend has become a tradition in many people's eyes.

"Yes, I do think that the celebration has become a tradition," Thomas said. "It seems to be consistent from year to year."

## CALENDAR

### Friday, September 27

1-4pm Free pool at the Rec Desk in Memorial Hall  
Chris and Amber go to bar  
10pm Zanzibar at The Hut

### Saturday, September 28

Cross country away at Cortland Invitational  
1pm Field Hockey away at Shippensburg  
8pm Movie at The Hut

### tional

7:30pm Football away at Lock Haven

### Sunday, September 29

3pm Murphy/Boston recital in Steadman  
2pm Baseball away at Ithaca college

### Monday, October 30

5pm Flashlight swearing in ceremony  
217 Memorial

### 9pm SGA meeting

### Tuesday, October 1

1pm New student seminar in Allen lecture hall  
1pm Ebony discussion hour in MLK center  
3:30pm MU film and lecture series presents Mary V. Dearborn, author of "Norman Mailer and the Politics of Biography" in North Dining Hall

### Wednesday, October 2

9pm MAC Coffeehouse at the HUT  
10pm The Boneyard on GIANT 89

### Thursday, October 3

FLASHLIGHT GETS LAID OUT, all editors work late into the night only to produce a paper that is bashed and picked apart by ungrateful faculty and student body.



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## SSHE professors are still working under old contract

by Chris McGann  
editor

Talks are under way to negotiate a new contract for the faculty of the 14 universities of the State System of Higher Education. The faculty are currently working under their old contract which expired on July 1, 1996.

The professors will continue to work under the old contract according to the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculty.

"The rules still apply until a new contract has been signed," said Dr. Ronald Straub, vice president of the Mansfield APSCUF chapter. "Both sides must continue to negotiate in good faith."

According to officials in the Chancellor's Office, an office which oversees administrative and financial functions of APSCUF, faculty members have agreed to continue working.

"They (the faculty) will continue to work under the expired contract on a day to day basis until a new contract has been reached," said Scott Shewell, Chancellor's Office Press Secretary.

The Chancellor's Office said the provisions they want include improv-

ing services for students and people who have a stake in SSHE and increasing funding for schools, said Shewell.

APSCUF is lobbying for fewer temporary professors and student assistants as neither are as seasoned as full professors, said APSCUF Communication Director Kevin Kodish.

Neither APSCUF nor the Chancellor's Office is very concerned about salaries.

According to former Mansfield University APSCUF president William Chabala, MU professors are concerned about the quality of education, control of the curriculum, and whether shared governance will remain in place. Chabala was president when the collective bargaining sessions began in January 1996.

Bargaining sessions are scheduled until December. The next session held will be on Thursday and Friday, the 10th and 11th of October 1996.

Kodish said that talks so far have yielded little progress. He said that talks have been cordial as both sides have explained their positions.

"We want to talk and make some headway," Kodish said.

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## Professor passed away Saturday

by Gene Yager  
news editor

A longtime Mansfield University professor passed away over the weekend after a bout with a long illness.

Dr. Floyd W. Liley, chair of the criminal justice department died Sunday, September 29, 1996 at Dar-Way Nursing Home in Estella, Pa.

Liley is survived by his father, Floyd senior, his mother Ruth Stearns Liley, his wife Chan Hui; and 2 stepchildren, Christopher and David Kappel.

MU president Rod Kelchner felt that one of Liley's best assets were his relationships he held with his students.

"He was popular with students

and what I really heard from students was that he had a lot of real life situations that he would share with the students and that was some of the things that made him effective" Kelchner said.

Liley had taught at MU for the last fourteen years, and fellow criminal justice professor Ryan had known him since he arrived at MU.

"His passing is a matter of sadness both on the personal and the professional level" Ryan said. "He was very close to the students"

According to Ryan, Liley fought for the autonomy of the criminal justice department throughout his entire career at MU.

"To the very end, he was try-

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Photo provided  
The Badlees are Bret Alexander, Jeff Feltenberger, Pete Palladino, Paul Smith, and Ron Simasek. Feltenberger and Simasek are MU alumni.

## Badlees to play MU this weekend

by Chris McGann  
editor

This year, the fall concert at Mansfield University will feature locally based band, The Badlees.

"We are getting them because they are an up and coming band and two of them are Mansfield alumni," said Mansfield Activities Council Concert Chair James Moyer. "It should be a decent show." MAC is sponsoring the show.

The concert will be held in Decker Gymnasium at 8 p.m. Tickets for the concert are \$8 for students and \$15 for general public.

The Badlees are originally from Selinsgrove Pa. and two of the band members, Jeff Feltenberger and Ron Simasek and their manager are Mansfield alumni. According to the Badlees homepage on the Internet, they actually began playing several years after college.

Currently, the Badlees have an album on the Billboard charts called *River Songs*. Singles from this album

include 'Angeline is Coming Home' and 'Fear of Falling'. This is their fourth album. The Badlees first album was an EP released in 1990 called *It Ain't for you*. There other two albums are *Diamonds in the Coal* and *The Unfortunate Result of Spare Time*.

This band has attempted to retain an original sound.

"We had to create our own scene and find our own audience," said vocalist Pete Palladino in a press release from A&M records. "We got better because we had to in order to survive. We were going into these rooms where they had nothing but cover bands, and we had to figure out a way to make people listen."

Opening for the Badlees is acoustic folk guitarist, Patty Griffin. According to an article in *People Weekly*, Griffin's lyrics are far from folksy. Her songs are angst filled but still melodic and soulful.

Tickets for the show are available from the MAC office in 205 Memorial Hall.

## 1996 Homecoming to be a Fiesta

by Kari Reagan  
staff reporter

This weekend, Mansfield University will hold its annual Homecoming weekend.

The highlight of the weekend will be football game between the Mansfield University's Mountie football team hosts the Millersville Marauders on Van Norman field on October 5th. Just before the game, the 1996 Homecoming Queen will be crowned by former Queen, Erica Johnson.

This year there is a total of seventeen candidates for Homecoming Queen said Clarence Crisp director of student activities. Crisp also stated that this is the first time in the twenty years that he has been at Mansfield that a male is running for Homecoming Queen.

Rob Thomas, the first-time male candidate, commented on his decision to run.

"The surface reason why I am running is there is no king category, just a queen area. Oh, but it goes much deeper than that! The winning of homecoming queen doesn't really matter to me.

I am just trying to prove a point which is that the contest is incredibly superficial," said Thomas.

M.U. junior Rustin Kreider feels that Thomas has every right to run.

"It's called equal rights," said Kreider.

Thomas is being sponsored by Giant 89.

The other candidates include: Amy Barrett, MU Advocacy Association; Kolleen Bogutskie, Student Dietetics Association; Sharitta Bowie, Mansfield Activities Council; Sue Brown, Phi Beta Lambda; Maketa Collins, Black Student Union; Valerie Henry, Maple Hall Council; Karyn Hickie, SPSEA;

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Photo by Brent McCallus  
MU students vote for the 1996 Homecoming Queen in Memorial Hall.



## Campus Voices

by Katie Long and Lisa Robinson

**Q. "Are you going to the Badlees concert this weekend?"**



**Barth Cox**  
Senior

"No, I don't even know who the Badlees are."



**Dexter Wilson**  
Freshman

"I Never heard of that concert so I guess not."



**Andrea Harvey**  
Freshman

"I don't know anything about the concert."



**James Cobb**  
Campus Police

"I don't image I'll have a choice. I imagine I'll be there."

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Tracy Holcomb, NTAEYC; Jolene Killingier, Football Cheerleaders; Jody Maida, Music Fraternities; Asami Murao, MISO; Sharon Rutledge, Economics Club, SIFE; Kathy Sherman, Phi Sigma Pi; Addie Turnbull, Council for Exceptional Children; Sheri Weber, Pan Hel/IFC; and DeAnn Wolfe, Kappa Phi.

The theme of this year's homecoming is "Fiesta!" Along with the coronation of the Homecoming Queen and the football game, the major activity of the weekend is the annual parade, which will be geared toward this year's theme.

Many organizations will enter floats and banners in the parade, giving

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MU President Rod Kelchner is not concerned about the contract dispute as more sessions are scheduled.

"It is not an exceptional situation," Kelchner said. "I think that both sides of the table would like to have the contract settled within a few months."

them a chance to show the students and other Mansfield residents who they are. Cash prizes will be awarded to the best banners and floats, and will be judged on creativity, overall appearance, and relation to the theme.

Other event will include the Homecoming baseball game on Saturday at 4p.m. at Shaute Field, A pep rally in the Rec Center on Friday at 8p.m. and the prism concert in Straughn Auditorium at 7p.m. on Saturday and 3 p.m. on Sunday.

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ing to remain here as chairman" Liley said. "That was important to him."

Kurt Zettlemoyer, President of the Criminal Justice club echoed Ryan's sentiments that Liley fought for the students.

"He totally fought for our department all of the time" Zettlemoyer said.

Interment will be in Sikeston City Cemetery, Sikeston, MO.

## Homecoming Pep-Rally Celebrate Mountie Pride

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# Literary biographer speaks at MU about gender roles

by Krissy Dennis  
staff reporter

A literary biographer from New York, who is currently working on a biography of Norman Mailer, spoke to a small group of students and faculty on Tuesday about her experiences and insights in the literary field.

Mary V. Dearborn, author of *Henry Miller: The Happiest Man Alive* and *Pocahontas' Daughters: Gender and Ethnicity in American Culture*, gave a lecture that talked about her past work and gave advice on how to choose a subject for a biography.

Dearborn began the discussion with an explanation of why she chose to write a biography about Henry Miller and what she learned from the book.

Dearborn described Miller as a "sexual lightning rod" and stated this as one of the reasons she chose him for a book. She knew almost nothing of him when she began her research but thought the book was a good way for her to explain the roles of men and women in the Nineteenth century.

During her research, Dearborn discovered Miller's strong anti-Semitic views which made the writing of the book difficult for her. However, according to Dearborn, this is one of the situations that many biographers must deal with.

"I can write about a subject for a year and it is like adding another person to your life," said Dearborn.

Sometimes a literary biographer picks a subject that does not interest the public and in turn, it does not sell well. This was the case for Dearborn's biography about Louise Bryant, a famous reporter who covered the Russian revolution entitled *Queen of Bohemia: The Life of Louise Bryant*.

"She (Bryant) was passed off by history," said Dearborn.

Bryant's life was considered trivial, which was what drove Dearborn to write a book about her. Since the book did not fare well, Dearborn calls it her "labor of love."

Dearborn's current project, a biography of Norman Mailer, has proven to be very interesting for her. However, Mailer, much like Miller, holds views very different from Dearborn's as Mailer

claims to be a left wing conservative whose views on birth control differ drastically from Dearborn's.

"Interesting and most distressing is his profound sexual conservatism," stated Dearborn, who is a self-proclaimed feminist.

All this makes Dearborn even more curious to discover why Mailer thinks the way he does. A question Dearborn is looking to answer concerns the origins of Mailer's attitudes and the connection they have with his childhood and/or culture.

When choosing a person to do a biography, there are a few things to consider, said Dearborn. A good candidate for a biography should have a large basis of information and background. Marketability and widespread interest are also two concerns involved with selection.

Dearborn had to abort one biography because her subject, James Fenimore Cooper, despite being acknowledged as a great American author, was not interesting enough.

"Biographies of living persons have their own share of difficulties," said Dearborn.

Another obstacle biographers run into occurs when sources will not talk. One offered suggestion by Dearborn involved telling the particular person of the need for their opinion to be heard.

Being a literary biographer also means reading the books your subject has written. Although a literary discussion does slow down the narrative, the author's books are an important addition to the biography, Dearborn said.

"What they write about is essential to who they are," Dearborn said.

Making a living as a literary biographer is getting harder and harder to do because literary biographies are harder to sell, said Dearborn.

"You could do it if it was not for all the taxes," Dearborn said.

Despite the drawbacks, being a biographer sometimes has its advantages.

"It is a chance to be a best friend, lover and a chronicler of my subject," said Dearborn.

Dearborn's book about Mailer should be finished within a year. Next, Dearborn would like to write a biography about Ernest Hemingway.

## MU communication graduate hired at Lock Haven University

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

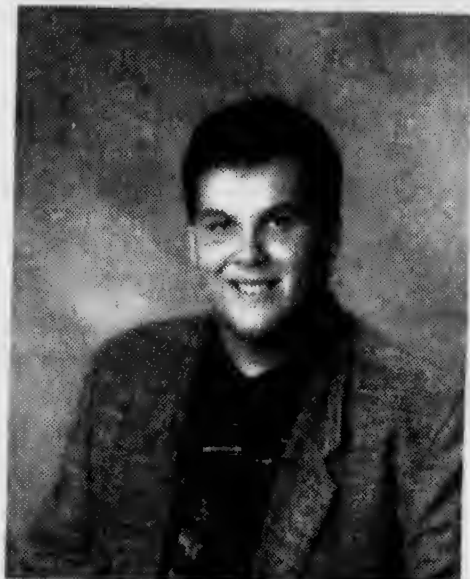


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MU graduate Josh Leiboff, recently hired at Lock Haven University as an Interim Director of Sports Information.

Mansfield University graduate Josh Leiboff took over as the new Interim Director of Sports Information for Lock Haven University in Lock Haven PA, on September 24, 1996.

According to Leiboff, the responsibilities of the position include promoting the campus' sixteen intercollegiate and intermural sports to the media, campus, and community. He is also responsible for maintaining the sports web page as well as the organization of advertising, marketing, and promotion with local businesses.

"Technically, I'm in the public relations department," said Leiboff. "I work for Luanne Lawrence who is the

Director of Public Relations but obviously, I work very closely with the sports department. I do a lot of statistics, public relations, and media contacts."

There are many reasons why Leiboff was hired for the job.

"I did my internship here in the spring of 1995 so I know a lot of people here," Leiboff said. "I worked with Steve Murphy who's the Sports Information Director for the Pennsylvania Athletic Committee because his office is in Lock Haven and when they needed a replacement my name came up."

According to Leiboff, he is very happy with his new job.

"This is a phenomenal opportunity for myself," Leiboff said. "I'm very lucky to have this job. It's a lot of work but this is what I've wanted to do

since my freshman year in college."

According to Leiboff, his dual broadcasting and journalism major prepared him for this profession.

"What I learned in college holds very close to what I'm doing now," Leiboff said. "Journalism fits in very well because I do a lot of writing in this job."

According to Leiboff, the transition to his new job has not been a hard one, due mostly to his internship experience.

According to Leiboff, he graduated in the spring semester of 1995 and went on to graduate study at Kutztown University. While at Mansfield University he was involved with the sports department in many ways for three and a half years.

## Commonwealth of Pennsylvania institutes Zero Tolerance Act

by Stephanie R. DeNicola  
staff reporter

On September 3, 1996, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania made a stand on driving while under the influence by instituting what they call the Zero Tolerance Act.

The Zero Tolerance Act details the testing required to determine the amount of alcohol or controlled substance in a person's system.

The act, which considers a minor to be anyone under 21 years of age, has made it illegal for a minor to drive after consuming even a small amount of alcohol.

A minor is considered to be driving under the influence if his or her alcohol level is 0.02% or more when tested by blood or urine.

An adult is considered to be driving while intoxicated if his or her alcohol level is 0.10% or more.

A minor who is arrested and found guilty of driving under the influence will be fined \$100 and will suffer temporary suspension of their license.

The act also detailed the con-

ditions for the impoundment of vehicles of offenders.

Offenders vehicles will now be impounded if the owner does not pay a fine of over \$250 within 24 hours of being given a warning by the state.

Local response to the Zero Tolerance Act has been varied. Carrie Monell, a sophomore math education major, doesn't believe that the Zero Tolerance Act will help the state's drunk driving problem.

"The laws that we have now do not scare people enough not to drink and drive or to pay the fines that they get," Monell said. "I don't believe that this act will be different."

Clarence Crisp, director of Student Activities, agrees with the act.

"Sometimes harsh laws work and sometimes they do not," Crisp said. "I think that this one will save a lot of lives."

Kate Doyle, an undeclared freshman, agrees with Crisp.

"The passing of this act will help people feel more confident to drive or even just walk with a less fear of drivers under the influence of drugs or alcohol than they do now," Doyle said. "I hope that this will help lower the num-

ber of victims."

The Zero Tolerance Act was first referred to transportation on January 30, 1996 by Representatives Horsey, Matthew N. Wright, Rosita Youngblood, Joseph Preston, and Peter Daley. It was

approved by Governor Thomas Ridge on July 2, 1996 as Act Number 93.

None of the representatives who proposed the act were available for comment.

## Police Beat

09/26/96

23:30 Unknown individual on roof between Maple A and B.

13:10 Theft of shower curtains taken from Employee room by unknown persons in unknown manner.

22:20 Vehicle Struck by another vehicle while parked in student lot.

19:00 Fire Alarm activated in Hemlock due to cigarette smoke.

22:57 Pulled Fire Alarm station second floor CCB.

09/27/96

14:20 Unknown individual broke a window in south end of Cedarcrest with a large type BB projectile.

09/30/96

14:10 Right front tire cut while vehicle was parked on Morris Drive by Maple.

10/02/96

00:55 Individual was arrested for public drunkenness and disorderly conduct following an incident in Maple.

02:40 Female resident of Cedarcrest reported being harassed by former boyfriend.

07:30 Vandalism and theft from vehicles. 9 vehicles parked in T lot had windows smashed and various items removed.

10:30 Vandalism, door glass broken at Doane Center.

21:00 Female resident of Cedarcrest hall receiving harassing phone calls.





Mansfield University's 1996-97 Fine Arts Series opens Saturday, October 12, at 8pm with a performance that the New York Times described as "a polished, elegantly turned performance" by the Borealis Wind Quartet, above

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## Palestinian police emerge as an unweildy force in Israel

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Israeli and Palestinian peacemakers envisaged a compact, disciplined Palestinian police resolving neighborly disputes, directing traffic and keeping Islamic militants in check.

This week's outburst of deadly clashes exposed a different reality: Yasser Arafat's men are a many-headed, unweildy army of some 30,000, many able and willing to hit Israel where it hurts.

Some are graduates of Arafat's tumultuous reign in Beirut that ended with expulsion to Tunis in 1982. Others are local heroes, veterans of the 1987-93 Palestinian uprising. And many are ne'er-do-wells taken on by Arafat to keep his people employed.

Arafat deployed them in about 10 parallel, sometimes competing outfits throughout Gaza and in the West Bank, where he controls seven cities and shares authority with Israel in another quarter of the territory.

On Wednesday and Thursday, the setup turned out to be a recipe for chaos

in which at least 35 Palestinians and 11 Israelis died.

Reflecting rage in the Palestinian streets at the stalled peace process and their wrecked economy, security officers turned their guns on Israeli soldiers, ignoring orders by Arafat and in some cases their superiors to cease fire.

Lt. Ihab Abu Mustafa, a regiment commander in the West Bank town of Ramallah, told The Associated Press that when Arafat's order to refrain from shooting at the Israelis came, some men took off their uniforms and proceeded to the front lines as civilians — some with their weapons, others to throw stones.

They probably mixed in with regular civilians as well as Islamic militants who have been hoarding weapons.

"I hate the Israelis. I have the same feeling," said Abu Mustafa, 23, who in the end decided to stay out of the fray.

Ironically, the breakdown comes after the Palestinian police in recent months finally won praise for close and successful coordination with Israel in neutraliz-

## Netanyahu calls for an end to the violence in Middle east

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu blamed Yasser Arafat today for instigating this week's deadly clashes in the West Bank and Gaza, but said he was willing to resume the peace process if the Palestinians put down their guns.

Flanked by stern-faced security chiefs at a news conference, Netanyahu insisted that he did not regret his decision to open a pedestrian tunnel near Jerusalem's Islamic holy sites, which ignited the clashes.

"I won't justify and don't regret the opening of the tunnel ... It expresses our sovereignty, our history," Netanyahu said.

He said his message to Arafat was: "Our hand is stretched to you in peace,

but we will not agree that during negotiations there will be a war option too. We demand Palestinian Authority ... stop the violence, stop the incitement ... calm spirits and return to the negotiations. We are ready to continue this process."

The explosion of violence — at least 68 people have been killed in four days of rioting — came after months of mounting Palestinian frustration with Netanyahu's policies.

The Israeli leader has delayed the planned troop pullout from the West Bank town of Hebron and stalled talks on other issues.

Netanyahu expressed anger that "the first time there seemed to be a crisis" in peace talks the Palestinian police turned their weapons on their supposed Israeli

## SGA to vote on campus wide shuttling service

by Tracy Gay  
staff reporter

On Monday, September 30, the weekly Student Government Association meeting was held in 204 Memorial Hall at 9:00 PM.

At the beginning of the meeting, members of the SGA were informed of the recent death of Dr. Floyd Liley, chairman of the Criminal Justice department.

An update on the health of Vice President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco was also given. Maresco is now home with pneumonia following the surgical removal of his gall bladder. Faculty and students are asked not to call or visit.

Ben Shaw, operations director for Endless Mountain Transportation Authority, was introduced. Shaw proposed the idea of a daily shuttle that would circle campus twice an hour and hit all the major buildings and parking lots on campus.

In addition, normal EMTA services would be included along with a Saturday shuttle to the Arnot Mall.

Several questions were asked about the possibility of correlating the time schedule of the shuttle to the varying class schedules.

"This schedule is clay...it is up to what the student majority think the schedule should be," Shaw said.

The five dollar semesterly fee will come from student activity fees. Concerns were raised about the shortage of funding from student activity funds.

"You have students who pay activity fees who do not use them because they are either non-trads or they are just not interested. This would give them more of a opportunity to use this money," said K.P. Collier, director of Campus Police and Safety.

Other questions involving weather conditions and the effect they will have on the functioning of the shuttle service were also raised.

"We are rather proud of our Professional Driver's records," Shaw said. "As long as we don't have to go up Cardiac, we will still provide the shuttle service."

Shaw was invited back for the October 14th meeting to update SGA on any changes EMTA comes up with.

In old business, the Organizational Fair was canceled, and once again a suggestion was made that it be rescheduled and moved to Alumni Hall. SGA will follow up with this more information at a later date.

Senators were asked to think of suggestions for Parents' Day. A suggestion was made about raffling off a Mansfield Mom t-shirt and a Mansfield Dad t-shirt. The idea will be discussed at a later time.

dependent state Palestinians had assumed would be the result of the peacemaking.

Frustrated and angry, Arafat appears to have encouraged this week's demonstrations. But there was evidence that his control structure was feeble.

In one revealing incident, Israeli troops tried to rescue a TV cameraman and a reporter shot during crossfire between Israeli and Palestinian forces at the Israel-Gaza border. Palestinians kept shooting at the watchtower where they took cover and at an Israeli forklift.

"We can discuss the issues at hand but this requires abandoning this system of violence," Netanyahu said.

His security chiefs said Arafat instigated the mass protests to pressure Israel into speeding up concessions — but suggested he lost control of his troops.

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Mansfield University Health/Wellness Committee will hold a Health Fair on Tues., Oct. 8, 1996 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Manser North Dining Hall to promote healthy behaviors within the Mansfield University and Tioga County community by providing an opportunity for health screening and information exchange with representatives of local community health agencies as well as Mansfield University Students who have expertise in health promotion activities.

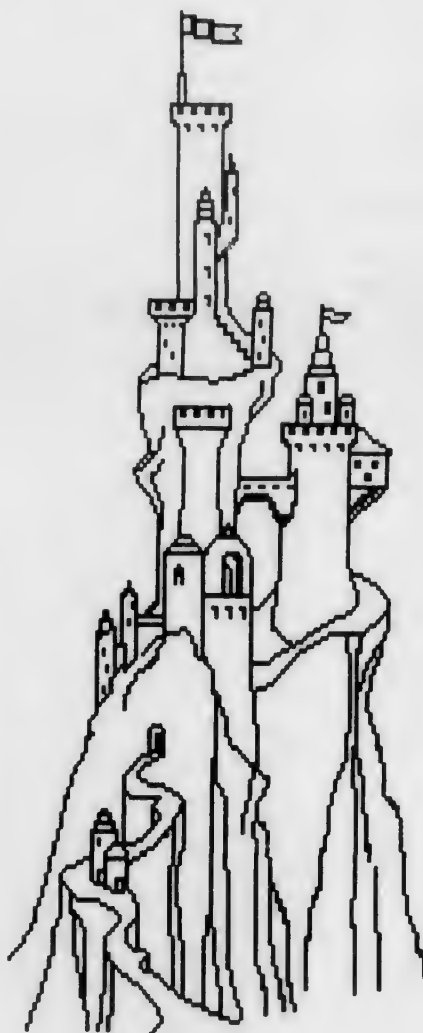
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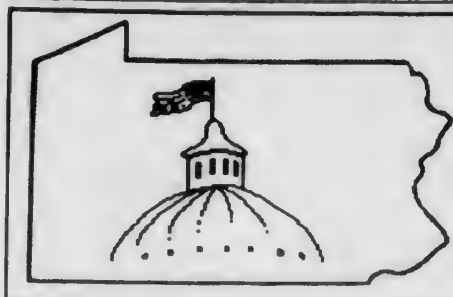
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## Pennsylvania in the News

### IRS leashes crime dog

PITTSBURGH (AP) — McGruffette, the female Crime Dog, has landed in the doghouse for unpaid back taxes and could go to jail.

Unmasked, the costumed crimefighter turns out to be Judi Landa, a 39-year-old Pittsburgh woman hired by city police in 1977 to rig herself up as a big, friendly bloodhound and teach kids how to take a bite out of crime.

As McGruffette, Landa sports long eyelashes, red fingernails and a bow that make her a big hit with the youngsters.

"Little children are always hugging me and saying, 'I love you doggy,'" she says.

But city financial officers aren't as charmed. They say Landa hasn't paid the business privilege tax on her public-appearance fees.

She could be fined up to \$500 or sentenced to as many as 50 days in jail if found guilty of dogging the tax.

Landa believes the tax is unfair, especially for a civic-minded performer who barely breaks even. Of the \$60 she receives for festivals, parades and schools, much goes to covers parking, gas, cos-

tume grooming and other taxes.

She says she's earned no more than \$2,400 a year playing McGruffette, and maybe \$10,000 a year moonlighting as Wendy for the restaurant chain, Chipper the Chipmunk for Herr's snacks, Cool Cat Pat for Port Authority Transit, the Easter Bunny and an elf.

Landa has won a few politicians to her side. City Councilman Dan Onorato said the tax is antiquated and unfairly levied, and passed legislation recently to exempt the first \$10,000 of gross receipts.

"Judi's off the hook for future taxes, but is still responsible for prior taxes," Onorato said.

City Treasurer Richard Fees said he's willing to work with Landa to resolve her tax troubles and suggested a two-year payment plan. It's rare for tax delinquents to pay the full fine or go to jail, Fees said.

A disgruntled Landa said she's ready to take a bite out of city hall.

"It's as if God put his hand on my shoulder as someone in the public eye to do something about this tax," she said.

### Ex-Santa gets 266 years for molesting young kids and teens

PITTSBURGH (AP) — It took a judge more than an hour to read all 68 counts of the molestation charges against John Pratt, a former Santa-for-hire who pleaded no contest to assaulting seven boys entrusted to his care.

Allegheny County Common Pleas Judge David Cercone sentenced Pratt Monday to 266 to 532 years in prison for the charges, which involve boys ranging in age from 7 to 14.

Police have said Pratt plied the boys with video games and attention to gain the children's trust. He served a five-year sentence in Iowa for child molestation before returning to Pittsburgh.

Initially, authorities believed Pratt used his Santa role to gain access to children, but police later said the costume did not figure into any of the cases.

"I think anybody looking at this case from the outside, or any normal person that would take a look at it for the first

time would think ... that there's something wrong with Mr. Pratt," said defense lawyer Tom Earhart.

Charges against Pratt included involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, corruption of a minor and indecent assault.

Police who searched his home found Santa Claus and elf costumes, wrapped toys and fliers.

"Christmas is right around the corner, and Santa can come to your home when you want him to," the flier said. "Santa can come by himself or he can bring one of his elves. Either way, it will be a party that your son or daughter will never forget."

### Groom-to-be can stay home before trial

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A woman sobbed with relief when a judge ordered home confinement for her fiance while he awaits trial on drug trafficking charges in what police call the biggest heroin bust in state history.

Carmen Guzman was scheduled to marry Anibal Goyco-Santana Jr., 30, of Bridgeport, Conn., on Saturday. He remains in jail for now while prosecutors appeal a home confinement order issued Monday by U.S. Magistrate Ila Jeanne Sensenich.

Santana was stopped last week for speeding on Interstate 80 in Mercer County. He was arrested after a drug-sniffing dog found the drugs in a concealed compartment in the car's gas tank, police said.

The 5.5 pounds of heroin was worth more than \$3 million dollars, police said. That's enough for 350,000 hits, they said. Officers also found more than \$200,000 in cash, police said.

Santana shuttled drugs between Detroit and New York 10 times in three months to earn \$30,000, police said.

## Drug enforcement officials seek tips in war on drugs

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Busting drug smugglers requires a smattering of economics knowledge, according to the Coast Guard commander responsible for keeping drugs out of the United States.

Coast Guard Adm. Robert Kramek said Monday that in the last three months, coca leaves — raw cocaine — have become cheaper than bananas in Peru because of U.S. interference with small planes that fly the leaves to labs in Colombia. He did not have price figures for the crops.

"At the source, what we're doing has the effect of removing the market, so the price goes down. On the streets of New York, the price of cocaine would go up because there's less of it," Kramek said during an interview in Pittsburgh Monday.

Another way to reduce the flow of illegal drugs is to provide legal alternatives to farmers. According to Kramek, President Alberto Fujimori of Peru has asked the United States for money to build roads so farmers can ship bananas, soybeans, pineapples and other produce to market.

Kramek said drug squads are now relying more on guile than brute force, and 85 percent of drug arrests are based on intelligence tips. The predominant strategy five years ago was to launch wide, inefficient searches that weren't always fruitful, he said.

Agencies including the Coast Guard, Customs Service and Drug Enforcement

Administration now rely on satellite and airborne surveillance and other tips like those shared through the federal government's 4 1/2-year-old drug intelligence center in Johnstown.

"We were casting a really wide net, and we had a lot of planes and a lot of ships out there looking for people when we really weren't sure where they were," he said. "Now we're looking for the smugglers where they are."

Kramek said two parts of President Clinton's anti-drug strategy fall under his authority — stopping drugs at the land and sea borders and interfering with shipments at the source. Two years ago, Kramek was named interdiction coordinator under federal drug czar Barry McCaffrey.

U.S. officials are negotiating with Haiti to become the 19th country to allow U.S. investigators to chase smugglers over its borders. The Haitian Coast Guard already has participated in two arrests, said U.S. Coast Guard Cmdr. Jeff Karons.

Kramek was in Pittsburgh to address state boating regulators who spend \$45 million a year in federal safety grants. Every state in the union gets the federal grants except Alaska, where American Indians object to life-jacket laws. Kramek said he has been negotiating with Democratic Gov. Tony Knowles to bring Alaska into the program.

### "Stubborn" woman survives stroke and strike of lightning

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Vicky Scott says simple stubbornness and curiosity helped her recover from the effects of a stroke and being struck by lightning.

Researchers at the University of Pittsburgh think there's a lot more to Scott's startling comeback, and they're studying her to learn more about how the brain heals from such trauma.

"We're trying to understand how the brain is organized after a stroke — particularly Vicky's brain, which has reorganized itself so beautifully," says Dr. Steven Small, an assistant professor of neurology, psychology and communications at the Pitt Medical Center.

By many expectations, Scott should not be alive today.

When she was a young wife and nurse in 1979, Scott was struck by lightning in the kitchen of her Monroeville home. A day later, at a scuba diving class, she suffered a stroke 15 feet underwater. As a result, she went into a coma and was unable to walk or speak.

On Sunday, Scott — now 43 — ran her 10th consecutive Great Race in Pittsburgh. She also teaches a calisthenics class for stroke survivors.

"I remember when the doctor called my family together, about a month after I had the stroke," she said. "He didn't want me there, but I insisted on coming, and he told my parents, 'Your daughter will never utter another word.'"

Furious, Scott banged her fist on the table and cried out. The doctor ordered a nurse to give her a sedative, and she said the experience only made her more determined to fight.

Doctors have told Scott that the lightning strike may have contributed to the clot that caused her stroke.

"I was standing in my kitchen, about a foot away from the door, and then it was like an earthquake," she recalled.

Lightbulbs above her shattered. The pot she was holding was flung 20 feet, and Scott was left flat on the floor.

Three months after the stroke, which Small described as "huge," Scott was in a car with her mother, Florence Dzuban, when she regained her power of speech.

"We were driving along the turnpike, and I started talking, real slowly, for the first time, whole sentences, like, 'Mother ... I ... can ... talk.' My mother was crying. She couldn't believe what was happening."

That was all Scott needed. She went to a high school track wearing kneepads and began running, falling after a couple of steps. Then she got up and kept on going.

Some things, like reading, still are difficult for Scott. But the Pitt study may help. Researchers plan to retrain her to read in hopes of developing new stroke therapies.

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## Around the Nation

### Second "Romeo" returns to school after suspension

NEW YORK (AP) — The grown-ups came to their senses Wednesday.

A pint-sized Romeo, suspended last week for five days, was cleared of sexual harassment for stealing a kiss from a second-grade classmate and tearing a button off her skirt — a trick gleaned from his favorite kiddie book, the tale of Corduroy the teddy bear.

De'Andre Dearinge "obviously" had a crush on his classmate, but school officials in Queens made him a victim of political correctness when he was suspended for five days, said the boy's mother, Erica White. De'Andre will return to school, P.S. 104 in Far Rockaway, Queens, on Thursday.

"I got what I wanted," White said Wednesday. "I wanted the suspension ended, and for this not to go on. ... They're putting adult views in children's minds."

The decision to suspend the big-eyed 7 year old was attacked by a cross-section of critics: other parents, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, a national coalition of working women.

It was the second case of kissing kids to make headlines this fall. A 6-year-old boy in Lexington, N.C., was censured last week for kissing a classmate and banned from attending an ice cream party.

The suspension was rescinded Wednesday after White met with officials from the local school district, but De'Andre still missed three days of school before his case became a cause celebre. The girl's family also attended the meeting and agreed to the reduced sentence, said Chiara Coletti, spokeswoman for the Board of Education.

### Subway shooter's attorney seeks racial equality in jury

DANBURY, Conn. (AP) — The lawyer representing Geoffrey Ferguson in his murder trial wants potential jurors to list their race and ethnicity when filling out court forms.

Public Defender Michael Courtney said he wants to make sure Ferguson's jury adequately represents the communities within the court's jurisdiction.

"The defense is entitled to a fair cross-section, no matter what his race and ethnicity," said Courtney.

"I believe it has been settled to everyone's satisfaction," she said.

The little boy said he kissed the unidentified classmate because he liked her, and yanked at her skirt button as an homage to his favorite book, "Corduroy," a teddy bear who's missing a button.

De'Andre's uncle, Joe Armsted, was as confused as his nephew by the entire flap. De'Andre is a member of his church choir who likes to read and write book reports — he even did one on Corduroy.

"He's a 7-year-old who doesn't know what the hell sexuality's about," Armsted said. "He loved her, she's pretty, he kissed her, and he's a child. He doesn't understand why everybody's making a fuss."

School officials had their change of heart without offering an apology or much of an explanation. The boy was shipped home Friday with a note detailing his suspension for "sexual harassment."

"We have developed a plan for him so that there will be better communication between the school and the home and that situations like this can be resolved in a more amicable manner," said Ken Grover, deputy superintendent of School District 27.

The reversal did little to change the opinion of those who felt the school board went overboard.

"It's another simple case of overreaction," said Ellen Bravo, executive director of 9 To 5, the national association of working women, who wrote a letter to the editor that appeared in The New York Times after the North Carolina kissing incident.

He refused to say, however, how the racial make-up of the jury would affect Ferguson's trial.

Ferguson, who is white, is charged with five counts of murder and two counts of capital felony in the deaths of five men in April 1995 in Redding.

Prosecutors allege Ferguson shot the men and then set the house he owned on fire to cover up the killings. It was the worst mass murder in Connecticut in more than a decade.

### Abortion judge withdraws after crash with protestors

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Pulaski County Chancery Judge Ellen B. Brantley's role in a high-profile case has come to a crashing halt.

Brantley removed herself from a case involving abortion after being involved in a car accident outside an abortion clinic.

The case aims to force the state to withdraw from the Medicaid program on the grounds it mandates coverage for some abortions.

Fred Hart, the plaintiff's attorney, was protesting Sept. 7 outside the Arkansas Health Counseling for Women clinic. He was standing next to someone holding a sign with a picture of an aborted fetus when a woman slowed her car nearly to a halt.

Susan Ward, who was driving her 10-day-old car, said she wanted to tell the two men to get out of the road. As her car slowed, Brantley's station wagon

slammed into the rear of it.

Brantley said she vented her anger at Hart. She recalled saying to him, "I don't think this is a good way to save lives by causing wrecks."

Brantley said she believed she could have judged the case fairly but decided there might be a perception of bias.

"I thought under the circumstances it was not an intemperate remark, but I could understand why (Hart) may not wish me to hear the case," Brantley said.

Hart said he wanted Brantley to stay with the case. He worried that further delays will be caused with a new judge trying to schedule the case.

Little Rock police cited Brantley for inattentive driving. She said she plans to contest the citation.

Brantley got her car back from the mechanic Monday — along with a \$5,800 repair bill.

### Author: executions are racial and sponsored by government

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — A government-sponsored death penalty is nothing more than legalized racial vengeance against the poor, said Sister Helen Prejean, author of "Dead Man Walking." "It is such an act of profound despair," said Sister Helen, who spoke Monday in Chattanooga. "We as a society have a penchant for dealing with social problems with violence."

The Roman Catholic nun was taking part in a benefit for Dismas House, a transitional home for released prisoners.

Most people learned about Sister Helen after a film based on her book was directed by Tim Robbins and starred Susan Sarandon, who won an Academy Award for her performance, and Sean Penn.

But long before "Dead Man Walking," Sister Helen opposed the death penalty. "The death penalty is racist," said Sis-

ter Helen, who taught public housing residents in New Orleans before counseling death row inmates.

"When you look at it, you can see that the application of the death penalty has a lot to do with who the victim was," she added. "Of the 3,000 people now on death row, 85 percent of them are there because they killed a white person."

Poverty also plays a large role, she said. "When they say that death is reserved only for the most heinous and terrible crimes, don't you believe it," she said. "We have let the poor be the scapegoat."

Still, she said that not every prisoner can be returned to a productive life.

"Some people are deeply scarred, and there are some people whom society needs to incarcerate, to protect society," she said. "But our starting point should be that human beings have worth."

### Whitewater costs FBI \$500,000 monthly, total cost has exceeded \$23 million

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — The Whitewater investigation, already spending money at a faster pace than the record-setting Iran-Contra probe, is receiving more than a half-million dollars worth of help each month from the FBI.

Since the investigation began in January 1994, and through March 31 of this year, Independent Counsel Kenneth W. Starr and his predecessor spent \$12.4 million for FBI help, according to figures from the General Accounting Office.

The Internal Revenue Service kicked in another \$1.2 million.

The total cost of the investigation exceeded \$23 million as of March 31, the last date through which audited figures are available.

Since mid-March, the Independent Counsel has tried two cases, empaneled a

new grand jury and added the White House travel office dismissals and the Clinton administration's handling of FBI files to its investigation. Their costs are not included in the audit.

Expenses for salaries, rent, expenses and assistance from the FBI and IRS totaled \$8,650,147 for the 12 months ending March 31, or an average of average of \$720,845.58 a month.

The Iran-Contra investigation spent \$596,750 a month during the 1988 fiscal year. GAO figures show it spent \$47 million, the most by an independent counsel's office.

A separate \$3.1 million spent for a Resolution Trust Corp. probe and \$1.3 million spent by Congress on Whitewater investigations aren't included in the audit.

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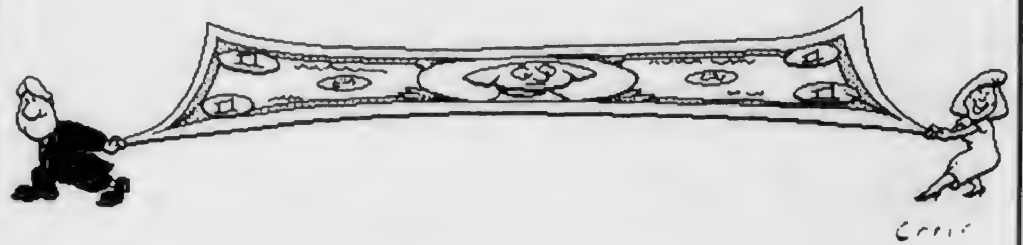
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How long before stretching the dollar breaks it?

## Minimum wage increase has more effects than you think

In case some of you haven't heard the news, Congress and President Bill Clinton have decided to increase the minimum wage requirement. This bill will increase the amount from its current rate of \$4.25 an hour to \$5.15 over the next two years. On Oct. 1, the first part of this increase was implemented and minimum wage is now set at \$4.75 per hour.

Though this idea sounds great on paper (and really is for those of us who may not have a real job after graduation and may end up working at McDonald's for the rest of our lives), there are other factors to consider.

The most important aspect that needs to be discussed is how this is going to affect small business. The question that needs to be answered is how are they going to be able to afford paying their employees after this increase goes into affect?

If this increase had taken place in one action, many businesses would have been subjected to the worst and some would have been forced to close including many businesses in this area. This is why the increase is implemented slowly in two parts.

Some businesses are finding creative ways of dealing with this problem. Has anyone ever wondered why McDonald's just introduced three "new" sandwiches which cost more than the originals sandwiches? Face it, they put lettuce and tomato on them. Obviously it has something to do with scamming more money out of our pockets, but it may also have something to do with their employees. McDonalds doesn't want to lose money and they will realistically lose some of their profits if they have to increase their employees paychecks.

To all of us college students, this increase might sound like we're now going to be rich (of course if you think you're going to get rich off of a lowly \$5.15 an hour, you better think again) but there is more to it than that. Don't be surprised if we end up working harder than we did before and consider the implications that are imposed on your employer. In a couple of months, we'll be complaining just as we have been.

We must keep in mind that no matter how much of an increase minimum wages gets the government will take that much more out of your paycheck in the form of taxes. A good way to exemplify this is when a person gets paid for work "under the table," which means that no taxes are taken out of your pay and the government doesn't know that you're working. Under the old minimum wage, you could make \$4.00 per hour "under the table" and that would be the same as making \$6.00 with taxes.

What we are trying to say here is not that we are for or against the increase in minimum wage. We do want to make the point that people should look at all of the implications of any decision. It is a great thing if you are getting a raise for nothing, but think about how it affects your employer because if this and been handled in a different way you might not have even had a job at the end of all of this.

When you go to your local store, no matter what type of store it is, don't be surprised if, when you buy something that you have always bought there, the price has gone up. Employers are going to have to look for ways to make up for the money they're losing because of this hike in minimum wage. They are going to find that the only way to make up for this loss is to pass the buck to you the consumer. Granted your getting a raise but you're paying for it in the long run.

The music group They Might Be Giants put it best in their song entitled "Minimum Wage" when they cracked a whip ten seconds into the song.

## Librarian explains North Hall and its computer references

How many of you have come to North Hall and found it impossible to locate an "open" terminal? How many of you have become frustrated when a particular piece of software wasn't working properly? How many of you are intimidated by the use of computers and other technologies?

Welcome to the "Information Age."

With all the "hype," it's easy to see why many people have become persuaded that "the information superhighway" and related technologies will provide us with every piece of information we could ever possibly want or need. And yet, despite a promising future, the present reality is still far from ideal: for every "glitch" that gets fixed, for every shortcoming that's overcome, another seems to sprout up to take its place. The problems noted above are but a few of the "glitches" we've encountered since opening our doors

to the public last month.

These "growing pains" have a number of causes. Some are merely the result of moving to a network environment. Some are actual problems with the hardware and/or software. And, yes, sometimes the problem is the result of "operator failure." If it's any consolation, we (the library staff) are learning to adjust to this new environment as well. It's going to take some time to work out all of the problems. And, even then, new problems will certainly emerge.

But, all is not lost. There are a number of things you can do. First and foremost, report any problem you encounter. If we don't know there's a problem, we can't work on a solution. Student computer assistants in the second floor Reference Section are available to assist you with software/hardware problems. The floor phones provide direct links to the Information Desk. Likewise, the Reference Staff is there to help you learn how to use the technolo-

gies more effectively as well as to assist you with finding additional sources of information.

Speaking of which... don't forget about books and periodicals! Although the majority of information is still published in printed form, it's amazing how many students are hesitant to use it. They liken the World Wide Web to one-stop-shopping: why go anywhere else? We all know, though, that no single store provides everything. Printed indexes, books, journals, and yes, even the often dreaded microfilm, are all valuable resources. The best research is still a combination of printed and electronic resources.

Regardless of the ways in which technology has transformed information and information services, one thing remains the same: if you need help, ASK!!

Monty L. McAdoo  
Reference Librarian

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## Commentary

# MU professor speaks about Latino Heritage Month

### Dr. Marta Garay

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Mansfield's Latin American Studies program, Latino Student Organization (LASO), and all those interested in Latino culture and issues join hands with all Latinos across the country in celebrating Latino Heritage this month.

Latinos on campus may not be as numerous as they should, but Mansfieldians are increasingly aware of our diversity here as well as in the rest of the nation. More importantly, we want to learn more about Latinos, very soon to be, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, the nation's largest ethnic group.

At once among the oldest and newest immigrants in the United States

mosaic, Latinos share a rich culture marked by diversity. Latinos comprise all people of Hispanic origin in the United States. Most are mestizos—the product of mixed races and cultures—for the Spanish, American Indian, and African heritages have blended in every aspect of life to produce today's Hispanic peoples. Their unifying factor remains the Spanish culture, whether or not an individual speaks Spanish in daily life.

In this regard, it is interesting to note that the United States is the fifth-largest Spanish-speaking country in the world and its Latino population is well over 22 million, the fastest growing ethnic group in the country. This increase has been a decisive cause in the mounting attention towards Latinos and the fact that they have become part of the national consciousness.

Another reason has been immigration to the United States (particularly illegal immigration from Mexico), and

the political turmoil in Central America, especially in El Salvador, which has resulted in further immigration. There is much national debate over immigration issues, as evidenced by recent federal legislation.

There are both educational and economic concerns that find Latinos in a different role: In education there is controversy over spending public resources on bilingual education, particularly in border states. In economics, there are disagreements between politicians, management, and labor over the effects of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) between Canada, the U.S., and Mexico. Moreover, as their numbers increase, Latinos continue to gain obvious economic and political power which further pushes Latino issues to the forefront.

Spanish, spoken daily by a large majority of Latinos, is projected to be the first language in the homes of

more than half the U. S. population around the year 2050. We cannot any longer believe that we are prepared for life after college unless we get the tools to understand Latino issues and culture. As a people, we need to keep an open mind, overcome preconceived notions and prejudices, and become knowledgeable about the changes in our society in order to be able to function as contributing members.

As apparently remote as Mansfield is in north-central Pennsylvania, we are connected with the world and, therefore, Latinos and non-Latinos here must recognize Latinos' increasingly important place in American society.

What else does the history of our great nation promise and portend but the certainty of diverse human contact and interaction? This is why we unite—Latino, Anglo, white, black, yellow, and red—in saluting and celebrating Latino Heritage Month.

## Ultimate water guns command respect



Dave Barry

Just when you're starting to lose hope that the younger generation will ever amount to anything; just when you're asking yourself, "Where are the leaders of tomorrow? Where is the next John Kennedy, the next John Wayne, the next John Denver, the next John LeMasters, who attended Pleasantville High School with me and was very good at math?" Just when you're starting to think that the most significant contributions that today's young people will make to society will be in the field of body-piercing; just when you're about to give up in total despair, some young person, when you least expect it, sends you a world-class water gun.

At least that's what happened to me. The young person in this case is actually named "John Young." He's a graduate student who wrote me a letter informing me that several years earlier, while sitting in a philosophy class - and let this be a lesson to you students who think that studying philosophy is a waste of time - he figured out how to make "the most butt-kickingest water gun the world has ever seen."

He calls it The Ultimate Water Gun, and when he offered to let me try it, I of course accepted immediately. I had a hunch that this could be my big journalism break, comparable to the time during the Watergate scandal when, in a secret meeting in a parking garage, the man known only as "Deep Throat" changed the course of history by giving Bob Woodward a really good water gun.

But not as good as the one that John Young sent me. This is not some flimsy plastic toy; this is a major contraption that weighs, when fully loaded, as much as a major kitchen appliance. It

consists of a pressurized, water-filled fire-extinguisher tank that you wear in a harness on your back; this is connected via a short tube to a garden-hose nozzle riveted to the top of a gold motorcycle helmet, which you wear on your head, so that, when you squeeze a hand-held trigger, the water squirts out in whatever direction your head is pointing. You also wear a firefighter-style jacket that has been spray painted silver; the jacket does not make the gun work any better, but it does perform the important function, in conjunction with the nozzle-topped helmet, of making you look like: Captain Bill, Space Dork!

I tested this water gun with my son, Rob, at a Miami gas station. (We needed the station's air compressor to pressurize the tank.) It is not easy, using mere words, to describe the feeling of power you'll get when, merely by squeezing your hand, you send a powerful jet of water whooshing from the top of your head, shooting 75 feet or more in whatever direction you look, but I will try: It is cool.

It also commands respect. At one point, two young men pulled up in a classic Bad Dude car - low to the ground, windows tinted with what appeared to be roofing tar, sound system thumping out bass notes loud enough to affect the Earth's rotation. They stopped and got out, apparently intending to use the air compressor; but just then, Rob came around the front of my car, silver-coated, gold-helmeted, shooting a blast of water (ital) over the gas-station roof (end ital). The Bad Dudes were clearly startled, although they recovered and tried to look extremely unimpressed. Then they got coolly, but quickly, back into their boombox car and thumped on out of there.

So we're talking about a powerful new technology here, and I've been pondering how it can best be utilized to benefit humanity in general, and I think I've figured out the ultimate use for The Ultimate Water Gun: Cigar Control.

Cigars are now the "in" thing, with fashionable, "with-it" sophisticates lighting up in restaurants and bars, apparently not realizing that, to the many, many people who don't care for cigars, it smells as though somebody has set an armpit on fire. (I am referring here to your cheaper cigar. Your more expensive cigar smells as though somebody has set

a more expensive armpit on fire.)

Of course, polite cigar smokers (and there are many) refrain from lighting up where others will unwillingly smell their smoke. But there seems to be a growing group of people - let's reach deep into our bag of euphemisms and call them "jerks" - who seem to (ital) enjoy (end ital) lighting up in public places; who talk loudly and proudly about their cigars, as if they truly believe that the rest of us are (ital) impressed (end ital) with a person capable of emitting this level of stench.

You're in a restaurant, and a jerk lights up, and suddenly all the food tastes like cigar. You're wishing that somebody (not you; you don't want any trouble) would tell this guy exactly what he can do with his cigar; just then the door bursts open, and there he is, his sil-

ver coat reflecting the candlelight - The Cigar Avenger! His gold helmet turns slowly, scanning the room, and suddenly he squeezes his hand trigger and WHOOOSH the jerk is drenched from head to foot, with what looks like a wad of dead seaweed hanging limply from his clenched mouth.

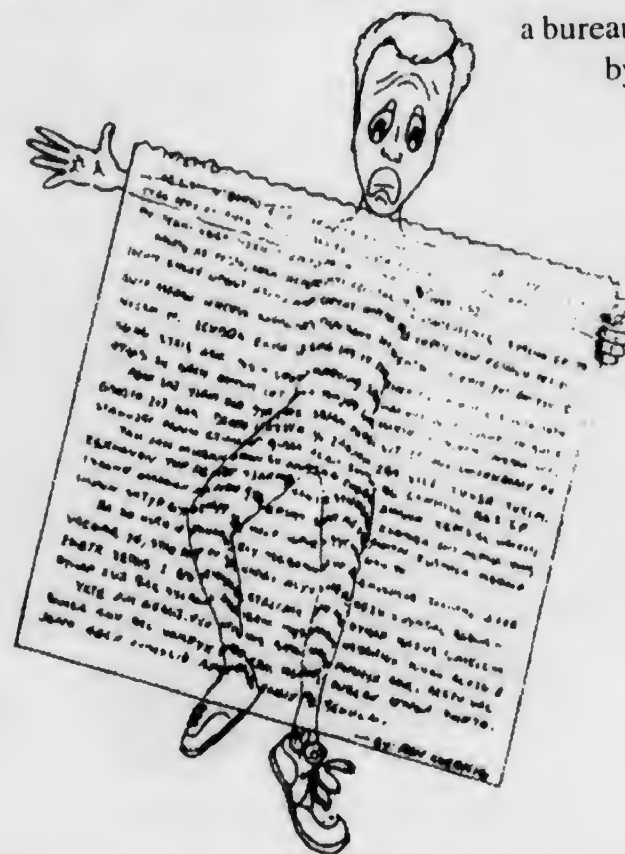
As the surrounding diners break into applause, the jerk (he might be a lawyer) sputters: "THIS RESTAURANT HAS NO POLICY AGAINST CIGAR SMOKING!" And The Cigar Avenger calmly replies: "This restaurant also has no policy against extinguishing cigars with a powerful stream of water from a helmet-mounted spray nozzle."

And then, in a twinkle of silver, he is gone. Probably he is gone to get a hernia operation, because that thing is (ital) heavy (end ital).

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# Out of Context

## Rants about stupidity reveal useful lessons

### Listen to me as I tell you about nothing and everything

by Josh Cusatis  
editor of everything

So, as I sit here staring at a blank screen and trying to think of a topic to write about this week, I keep coming back to the ingrained desire to hold fast to my quest to reveal stupidity and encourage all of you to think for yourselves and think twice about hidden agendas and the beliefs of groups that you might be thinking about joining.

I have discovered that the search for source material in this subject is a bit more difficult than I once thought. My favorite source, CNN, has had a slow week on matters of this nature and because of this, so have I.

I have decided that this week I will expose a few examples of good stupidity. I do this now because there are quite a few positive things you can learn from stupidity. I hope you will find my diatribe useful.

1. A friend of mine told me over the summer to try and imagine life without the letter E. Before I had a chance to properly process in my mind what he had just told me, he comes off with a couple of examples that he had already thought of. He started me off slow with single words first. His examples were: rhinoceros, committee, and valuta. The real versions of which are: rhinoceros, committee, and

evaluate.

This is a very stupid thing to be thinking of and I feel a strange sort of pity for my friend now that he has told me about this and let's face it, this is stupid. He did however, make me think about how we take the littlest things for granted and how, if these things were suddenly gone one day, how immensely it would affect our daily lives and how hard it would be to adjust.

2. The same friend also told me during the summer (yes, I continue to be friends with him) that he was starting a list of the funniest words in the English language. He only had one word at that time but I'm sure he had thought of more since I last talked to him. His vote for the funniest was cabbage however I got the vote for the funniest after I told him my choice: jaundice.

Why would anyone bother to think about this? Well, that's why this is an example of stupidity.

When I think about this example, I have a hard time determining where the positive lesson is but I think I have found one.

We have to try to think of the funny side of things no matter how small the subject. If we do, then life will go much more smoothly and things may even be easier. Try it some time, it might work. This doesn't mean that negativity is necessarily a bad thing. It just doesn't work all of the

time.

3. No, friend did not tell me any more of the examples I'm going to use in this column. The next one I want to discuss is song lyrics. There is a line in the R.E.M. song "Driver 8" that reads, "The power lines have floaters so the airplanes won't get snagged." "Driver 8" is an incredible song and this line is a very cool line however what beastial copulation does it mean!?!

What I'm trying to say here is that everything you find so precious (It's precious) in your life is completely inane and if it's good enough for them, then it should be for you.

When you think about it, everything is stupid and pointing out examples of stupidity is a stupid idea because all you have to do is look around you and you'll find one everywhere you go.

When you really boil it down we're stupid and we shouldn't even bother with anything (there's that damn negativity). Hunter Benedict Shepard, bassist for Soundgarden, put it best when he said, "Human beings pretend to not be stupid by coming as being intelligent but that's stupid anyway. Human beings are stupid." What a poignant man of little words (I'm a man of the people!).

So, now I've come back to my original problem of staring at a screen that is supposed to have all of this information in the English language on

it and I can't think of a damn thing to say.

Because of this, I'll now say what a lot of you have probably been wanting to say in a long time. I'm stupid. Yes, I said it and I'll say it again. I'm stupid. If you haven't been paying any attention at all then you wouldn't realize that I've been saying all along that we're all stupid. If you have been paying attention then you'll realize the irony in what I'm saying.

I will say that I'm stupid because earlier I said that looking for examples of stupidity is stupid. And since I'm the one writing this column then that means that I'm stupid. I not the type of person to leave loop holes lying around especially when I have the smarts to pick up on them and also have the intelligence to be able to get out of them.

Now I will get to the major theme of this column and then I will sit back down and give the floor to anyone who wishes to take it. You're stupid because you read this and don't have the smarts to be able to pick up on these things yourself unless I know you personally and amde you read this at gunpoint so you could tell me how good of a writer I am and that you've always wanted to be like me. I'm so great and we're all stupid. I think there's a paradox in there somewhere but I'm too stupid to find out where.

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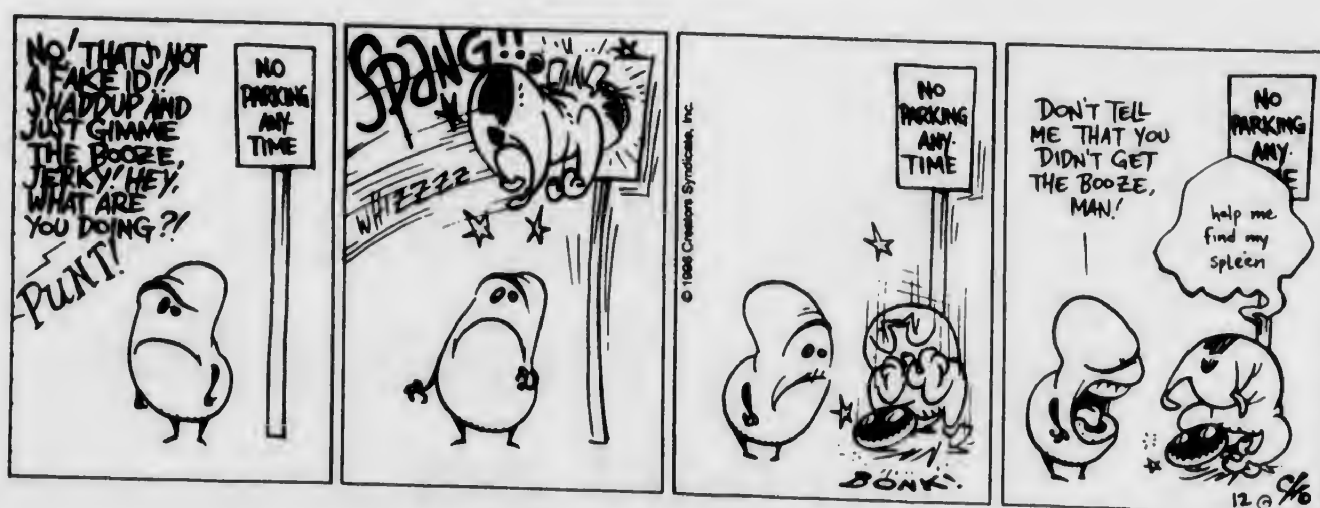
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# SPORTS

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## Mountie football team improves record to .500

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team defeated Lock Haven University Saturday, April 28 by a score of 6-3, doubling their win total from last season.

"When your building a team and have as many young players as we do, it doesn't matter how many points you win by," said second year head Mountaineers football coach Joe Viadella. "Every win is a building block and that's what was important at Lock Haven."

Junior punter Jason Johnston accounted for the Mounties only points of the game, scoring two 30+ yard field goals.

This win puts Mansfield at 2-2 on the season heading into Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference play against Millersville.

"We should have outscored them more than we did," Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith said. "I just didn't do my job."

Lock Haven attempted the first scoring drive of the game early on, missing a 40-yard field goal attempt. Lock Haven came back strong in the second quarter continuing a 12 play scoring opportunity.

Lock Haven's quarterback Carlos Cleckley connected to Jason

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Kundtz for a touchdown that was brought back after Lock Haven committed two costly errors. The Bald Eagles would try again at 4-Goal, but once again came up short and Mansfield took over on downs.

"Our defense really won it for us," Smith said. "Both of the games we won it was all defense."

Mansfield answered that call marching from their own 31-yard line to score on Johnston's first field goal of the night at 31-yards.

"When our defense plays well it makes our offense play well," said sophomore wide receiver Scott Fedorowicz.

Before the half was through Lock Haven would answer with a score on thier own on a field goal tying things up at three a piece.

Mansfield came out of the locker room ready to play, scoring on their first drive of the second half. Johnston's field goal attempt at 38-yards was good, giving the Mounties a 6-3 lead.

There has been some speculation that Smith may not be playing this weekend. Smith left the Lock Haven game in the third quarter with a shoul-



Photo by Thad Woodward

Mansfield Mountaineer runningback Jason Donadi rushed for over 100 yards in his fourth consecutive game.

der injury and was replaced by newcomer Mike Keating.

If Smith is unable to play in the game, he remains confident in the ability of Keating.

"He (Keating) can step up and do a good job," Smith said. "He has real experience and knows the offense."

## MU football gears up for Millersville's Marauders

by Joe Wagner  
sports reporter

The 1996 homecoming game for the Mansfield University Mountaineers football team will be played against the Marauders of Millersville.

The Mounties return this week victorious from their rainy contest with Lock Haven University. After only four games they already have doubled their total wins from last year. The Mountaineers are now 2-2.

However, they face a tough 1-2 Marauders team this Saturday. Both of Millersville's losses have come at the hands of non-conference teams.

But, Millersville, last year's PSAC co-champions, will be riding an emotional high after last week's win over Shippensburg.

The Marauders are ranked fifth in the PSAC in total offense averaging 357 yards per game. Their passing attack is rated second best in the PSAC. Millersville's senior quarterback, Greg Moylan, is also rated second best in the conference for total offense. He averages 231 yards through the air with a total of 722 yards on the season.

Mansfield's senior defensive back Jim Nicholson will have to lead his secondary to a good game this week against the formidable passing of Millersville.

Nicholson, co-captain, of this year's squad has a conference high three interceptions already.

The Marauder's rushing attack is not so potent as their aerial passing game. They are ranked ninth in the PSAC, averaging 106 yards per game. Senior defensive end Joel Kargbo and the rest of his mates on the defensive line must have a good game. If they can force

The Mountie defense limited Lock Haven to just 247-yards.

Junior Matt Guzevich led the team with nine tackles on the evening while senior defensive back Jim Nicholson recorded seven tackles and also pulled down a pass interception.

"We were in the right frame of mind for the game," said freshman offensive lineman Marcus Pokrinchak. "We concentrated more on our assignments."

Junior running back Jason Donadi continued his 100+ yard streak by running the ball 15 times for 115-yards. He is ranked fourth in the PSAC with averaging 112.2 yards per game.

Freshman running back Lee Brannon picked up 41-yards on nine carries.

"We finally came together as a team and played with confidence," said sophomore tight end Brent Clarke.

This weekend the Mounties line-up against defending PSAC-East co-champion Millersville University (1-2) for Homecoming.

Kickoff is set for 1:00 p.m. at Karl Van Norman Field.

the Marauders into relying on their passing attack, the defensive backs will not have to worry about coming up to stop the run.

The Mounties total defense is ranked tenth overall in the conference. They give up an average of 382 yards a game.

The defense, however, has seemed at times two totally different squads. In the first game against Cortland, the defense pitched a shut-out. In last week's game, the Mounties allowed only a field goal. But in the two weeks between these wins, the Mounties have given up 113 points.

"The defense did it for us in both games we won," said Head Football Coach Joe Viadella.

The defensive side of the ball is key for the Mountaineers. So far the offense has been steady and balanced.

Senior tailback Jason Donadi has proven to be the Mountaineers iron horse. Last week, for the fourth week in a row, he has broken the 100 yard mark. If he continues this trend, he will be the first Mountaineer in history to have 1,000 yards in carries in one season.

Last week, freshman quarterback Lucas Smith struggled in the rain. Overall, he has put forth a good showing. Smith is ranked sixth in the PSAC for total offensive yards. He has thrown for 687 yards and tossed one touchdown pass. The freshman has passed and scrambled his way to an average of 184 yards a game.

This week's game will be a test for the Mountaineers. Not only is it Homecoming, but the Mountaineers must prove that they can put two wins together in a row.

This Saturday's game is slated for 1:00 at Van Norman field.

### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	114	47	.412	684	1	6	8
M. Keating	1	1	1.000	3	0	0	0

Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
J. Donadi	14	105	0	J. Donadi	111	449	1
M. Hanley	2	50	0	D. Banyar	12	47	0
N. Davis	10	162	0	L. Smith	35	55	3
L. Brannon	1	2	0	L. Brannon	32	144	2
M. Brezovech	2	49	0	N. Davis	3	10	0
P. Herchik	6	152	0				
B. Woodward	3	54	0				

Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	3	72	0				
C. Morrison	1	9	0				
J. Ludwig	1	1	0				
M. Hanley	1	8	0				
M. Williams	1	1	0				

Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD
J. Williams	9	59	0
J. Curto	1	5	0

Sacks: Joel Kargbo (2-20yds)

**Tackle Leaders:** M. Williams (19), J. Nicholson (15), J. Kargbo (13), M. Guzevich (12), C. Morrison (11), J. VanOrden (10), J.J. Cleaver (9), J. Ludwig (10), R. Entrot (6) M. Abrachinsky (4),

Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	3	0-0					20
J. Johnston					4-5		15
L. Brannon	2						12
J. Donadi	1						6



# Who's playing where in professional ball from MU

by J.P. Fella  
and J. Wilson  
sports reporters

Compiled here is a list of former Mansfield University Mountaineer baseball players who are currently playing professional or semi-professional baseball.

•Brad Crill- NCAA Division II All-American, 2nd winningest pitcher in MU history, four year starter in 1991,

1992, 1993, 1994. Drafted by Baltimore in 1994, Crill pitched for Bluefield in the Appalachian League in 1994 while spending time in the California League in 1995 as well as with Fredrick in the South-Atlantic League. This season Crill was 2-4 with a 4.68 ERA in the California League before he suffered an arm injury. He underwent surgery and will be back on the mound for the Orioles.

•Al Probst- NCAA Division II All-American for the Mountaineers, Probst still ranks among the top hitters in

NCAA Division II history. Drafted by the Astros in 1992, Probst advanced to their AAA club in Tucson this season before ending the year with Class AA Jackson.

•Dave Shepard- Three year starter at MU before transferring to Clemson for the 1995 season. Drafted in the 5th round by Cincinnati. He also played in the Butte Mont in single Rookie A.

•John Michael Cook- Second year with major league, he played at Class A

Lethbridge in 1995 and with Auburn after signing with the Astros this season. Two-time NCAA Division II All-American.

•Ray Schmittle- Four-year letter winner who played with the Mountaineers last season. Played for Altoona in the Independent League where he was selected for the All-Star Team.

•Also playing professionally Duke Neatrou and Mike Cacciotti- with Altoona.

## Mountie field hockey continues their dominance

by Jackie Williams  
sports reporter

It seems to be "all or nothing," as the saying goes, thus far for the Mansfield University Mountaineer field hockey team.

Out of the five games played as of October 2, the Mounties have been victorious in three of them. In all three of those victories, the Mounties have shutout the opposing team.

The case was no different in a home game against SUNY-Oneonta on September 26. The Mounties blanked

their opponents 1-0 to drop Oneonta to three wins and five losses for the season.

The single goal of the game came unassisted by sophomore forward Renee Phillips at the 24:14 mark of the first half.

Freshman forward Shanna Vitale brought the ball up the field, creating a two on two situation. Her shot from behind the 16 foot line deflected off the goalkeepers pads, but Phillips put her stick on it to score a goal just inside the right post.

Another critical scoring oppor-

tunity occurred in the second half when sophomore Alicia Shirato attempted an out-of-position shot from between her legs with her back to the goal.

The ball was heading out of bounds but the keeper fell on the ball, pinning it under her, which earned Oneonta a penalty. Vitale took the penalty stroke off the play, but failed to capitalize.

The Mounties outshot Oneonta 44-25, but had difficulties in scoring the entire game.

"Our passing was on, especially in the second half, but we missed a lot of shots on goal," Shirato said. "We were very slow that day and we weren't getting to the balls that we normally get to."

According to junior midfielder, Missy Tyson, Mansfield's defense came out slow in the first half, but returned to their aggressive style in the second.

"We realized we had to pick

up the defense," Tyson said. "We haven't been good at giving defensive support to one another, and backing each other up. But in the second half we started kicking that in."

Seniors Robin Adams and Melissa Ehrlicher and freshman Jen Manton were solid in the goal. The trio combined for 12 goalie saves to anchor Mansfield's defense.

Mansfield looks to shutdown Slippery Rock University in a home game at Spaulding Field on Saturday October 5 at 12 p.m.

**Field Hockey Updates:** Mansfield's game at Shippensburg University was cancelled on September 28 due to inclement weather. It is tentatively rescheduled for Sunday, October 13 at 1 p.m.

The Mounties begin their Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference schedule on Thursday, October 3 at home against Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

## Bengals still have shot at playoffs

CINCINNATI (AP) — Owner Mike Brown says his Cincinnati Bengals still have a shot at the playoffs, but only if they get up and running from a stale 1-3 start. Brown said he is concerned about the team's fizzling offense.

"We aren't playing as well as we expected," Brown said. "I'm concerned about our whole offense. Last year, it was explosive. This year it's just fizzled."

The Bengals play at home Sunday night against the Houston Oilers.

Brown said he attributes the slow start of running back Ki-Jana Carter to lingering effects of a knee injury and his need to adjust to the NFL. Carter was the team's No. 1 draft pick last year before torn knee ligaments cost him his first season.

Carter needs to regain strength and confidence in his surgically repaired knee, Brown said.

"He isn't there now the way he was before he was cut down by injury. The thing with Ki-Jana is not to judge him too soon. I don't see any reason why he won't come around as he goes along," Brown said.

"It'll take some time. I've seen this injury in pro football. It's most difficult for a running back to overcome."

Brown said he plans to stay with Carter for the long term and wouldn't consider trading him even if Garrison Hearst wins the starting back's job. The Bengals last year gave Carter a seven-year, \$19.2 million contract.

"Ki-Jana is going to be here for the long term," Brown said. "We're got to work with him and bring him around."

Brown said he is still waiting for quarterback Jeff Blake to perform as he did last year when Blake played his way into the Pro Bowl.

"When I see somebody do it as often as he has done it, I tend to think that they can get it done on a consistent basis. But this year it hasn't happened so far," he said.

Blake was testy Monday when reporters asked him about his problems this year. He has thrown four interceptions and just three touchdown passes this year, compared with 28 touchdown passes for all of last season.

He has completed 52.5 percent of his passes for an average of 195 passing yards per game this season, down from 57.5 percent and 239 yards per game last year.

### (last week's) Flashlight Athlete of the Week Randy Stroble



Randy Stroble has been named Flashlight Athlete of the Week. Stroble finished first at the Baptist Bible College Cross Country Invitational. Due to paper constraints, this did not run last week.

## Fraternity takes on football team

MISSOULA, Mont. (AP) — Missoula police are investigating a brawl early Sunday involving University of Montana football players and members of the Sigma Chi fraternity.

Mick Dennehy, the head football coach, said he was aware of the incident and that football players were involved, but he did not know to what extent.

"We'll wait until we get the facts from the police department," Dennehy said.

UM athletic director Wayne Hogan said he believed between six and eight players were involved, although "we're still trying to piece together all of the info."

"We've spent some time running down guys and trying to piece it together," he said, calling reports of the incident "confusing and strewn-about."

Police were called to the Sigma Chi house about 1:45 a.m. Sunday. At least nine city and university police responded. Missoula police officer Guy Baker said there were "easily a hun-

dred people there."

"We said the party was over," Baker said. "No one wanted to file a complaint that they were assaulted."

But about 4 p.m. Sunday, some fraternity members went to the Police Department and filed assault complaints, accusing the football players of attacking them in their house.

Sigma Chi president Guy Atkins said the fight started when a belligerent football player was asked to leave.

"We were just trying to get him to leave the premises," Atkins said, acknowledging there were some "punches thrown."

Ray Brummett, one of the fraternity members who filed a complaint, said about 15 men later rushed into the house.

"I asked them to leave my house," Brummett said. "Then I was assaulted by two guys. I was thrown down these stairs."

UM football players contacted Monday declined comment about the incident. Hogan said some already have called fraternity members to apologize.

"They feel terrible about the fact that it happened," he said. "There's no question that neither the coach nor I condone this in any way."

He said the athletic department will continue to look into the matter.

Missoula Police Sgt. Jim Neumayer said police have seven people listed as victims in the case, but he would not say whether those were fraternity members or football players or both. He said two people are listed as suspects, and more may be added to the list, but he would not identify them.

"There are so many people involved in this that we're just trying to get everything straightened out right now," he said.

### 1996 Mountie Football Schedule

#### SEPTEMBER:

7 SUNY Cortland  
14 at Southern Connecticut State  
21 at Ithaca College  
28 at Lock Haven

#### OCTOBER:

5 Millersville  
12 at Bloomsburg  
19 Kutztown  
26 at West Chester University

2 East Stroudsburg University  
9 at Cheyney University  
16 Clarion University



## Sports Views

# Let the punishment fit the crime, Roberto

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

Right now we all know that the Major League Baseball play-offs began a few days ago, and for all intensive purposes there is definitely one man who does not deserve to be playing.

Roberto Alomar, the second baseman for the Baltimore Orioles, is that man.

Just a week ago in a game in Toronto, a game that pretty much meant nothing because the Orioles already clinched the wild card play-off spot, he spit into the face of home plate umpire Dave Hirschbeck.

Now I ask this of you, if someone spit into your face, what would you do?

Hirschbeck handled it very respectably, but any person on the street would have gone into a tirade.

After Alomar was ejected from the game, he made comments to the media saying the Mr. Hirschbeck hasn't been the same since his son had died in 1994.

Not only did he spit in the man's face, but he stoops as low as to say that the man has changed for the worst.

That is totally wrong of Roberto Alomar, and totally deserving of more than a mere five game suspension.

The five game suspension, which doesn't fit the crime, doesn't have to be served by Alomar until the beginning of next season.

Next season? What kind of punishment is that? How fitting is it?

He should have to serve his suspension now when the games mean something.

If he serves the five game suspension at the beginning of next season—big deal, the games don't mean anything.

**This is my proposal for Major League Baseball:**

## Flashlight Athlete of the Week Renee Phillips



Renee Phillips has been named Flashlight Athlete of the Week. Phillips scored the lone goal in the Mounties 1-0 victory over Oneonta.

Make Alomar learn his lesson, and make an example out of him for other major league players.

Let them know that it doesn't matter what time of the season you break "the law."

Just some other minute details that took place right after the last games on Sunday.

Jim Fregosi is now the former manager of the Philadelphia Phillies. Kevin Kennedy is now the former skipper of the Boston Red Sox.

These two gentlemen did decent things for their respective clubs, but were going in two totally different directions.

Say what you want about the Phillies misfortunes this year, but Fregosi's lucky jacket needed to be rid of for good. I don't see him finding another job.

Kennedy, on the other hand, is definitely in line for another managerial job.

Either the California Angels or Chicago White Sox will be his next tour of duty because it looks as though Jim Leyland will get the Florida Marlins or Boston Red Sox job.

This is a good season for Major League Baseball.

Let's just hope that these play-offs are just as exciting as most of the baseball games have been so far this year.

And root for the New York Yankees!!!

*Editor's note: The views expressed here in this column about cheering for the N.Y. Yankees are not necessarily those expressed by the sports editor and asst. editor.*

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## Upsets and defeats around the NFL

by Patrick Manwiller  
sports reporter

Well, what to do you think of the first couple weeks of the National Football League season? Personally, I think it's been pretty exciting so far.

I can't believe how many upsets have occurred and the way some of the teams have performed. There were a couple undefeated teams, but now, there is only one remaining. Then there were teams that were expected to do well, and so far, they are not performing up to par.

The Packers are looking to be the team to beat at this point in the season. Then you have the Cowboys, who are looking like another Superbowl is going to be out of the question. I guess I can't really say that, because there is a lot of football to be played yet. Plus, the addition of Michael Irvin to the line up in a couple weeks, will prove to be a key in the rest of the Cowboy season.

There have been many surprises up to this point of the season. Up through the third week of the season, a record amount of eight teams were undefeated. But in the fourth week, all that changed when every undefeated team played another undefeated team. After that, only the Carolina Panthers, Kansas City Chiefs, Indianapolis Colts and Minnesota Vikings remained undefeated.

With all of the hype of these many undefeated teams, they went into the fifth week hoping to remain unscathed. Well, that didn't happen, when

all but one of the remaining undefeated teams, were still in that position. And to everyone's surprise, it was the Indianapolis Colts.

At the start of the 96 football season many teams had high expectations with the many acquisitions that were made in the off-season.

Some of the many acquisitions made were Cornelius Bennet to the Atlanta Falcons. Kevin Greene went to the Carolina Panthers, and Neil O'Donnell to the New York Jets. Not only did teams make some key moves but many teams signed their draft picks. This will prove to be a big help for many struggling teams. For example, the Broncos signed All-American John Mobely, a Kutztown University standout. This season the Broncos defense has been a much tighter unit, with the addition of Mobely, and some other key pick-ups.

The Jets were one of the most active teams in the off-season, trying to build a team that held the worst record in the NFL last year. The Jets signed Neil O'Donnell, who played last years Superbowl.

And they also signed their first round draft pick (number one overall) Keyshawn Johnson. Some of the other draft picks that were signed were Lawrence Phillips, who signed with the St. Louis Rams, Chris T. Jones, to the Eagles and Bobby Engram who signed with the Chicago Bears.

I'm expecting the rest of the season to be an exciting one.



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# The Memorandum opens to a full house at Straughn

## The bureaucratic comedy to entertain Mansfield throughout weekend

by Josh Cusatis  
Thomas Jones  
Gene Yager  
staff reporters

*The Memorandum*, a bureaucratic comedy by Vaclav Havel will be performed in Straughn Hall by Mansfield University Theatre October 4, 5, and 6.

The play opened Thursday night to a packed auditorium which was ready to enthusiastically receive the production.

The production opened on a simple, yet elegant stage. Josef Gross, played by Michael McCloskey began speaking in tongues. The audience soon learned of a power struggle beneath the appearance of a typical office. The Deputy Director's delusions of grandeur forced the institution to adopt Ptydepe, (pronounced tie-dee-pee) an artificial and scientifically sound language. Ptydepe was designed to make communication within an office setting more accurate. All emotional attachments to language were to be eliminated. Technology became the great communicator.

Unfortunately, the bureaucratic nightmare that resulted from the institution of Ptydepe was more than was expected. The ensuing absurdities and organizational run-around set the stage for the office coup that created deep divisions within the company.

The actors involved did the most possible with the material they were given. Nancy P. Corbo (Alexandra Savant) stood out, especially with her physical humor. However, it appeared

that traditional theatre was not represented in this production. Basic theatrical methods, such as facing the audience, using strong diction, and clear pronunciation were not present. The dramatic declamations were poorly rendered, and the emotional outbursts could have been more compelling. It became clear by the second act that the production was performed by amateur college students.

This play was written by Vaclav Havel who was born in Czechoslovakia. When considering that he then lived under Communist rule, Ptydepe could be the equivalent of Newspeak from George Orwell's book "1984." The way in which the use of Ptydepe was initiated smacks very much of the way Communism was presented to Soviet Russia in the early 1900's as illustrated by Ayn Rand's book "We the Living."

The fact that Ptydepe was so hard to speak and even harder to comprehend is reminiscent of the confusion that so many people experienced living in early Soviet Russia because of the drastic changes in their daily lives.

The entire play became a basis for Havel's philosophy against Communism. There were overtones in the entire play that exemplified the way Communism crept into every facet of the Russian people's lives and the dialogue towards the end of the play becomes an obvious diatribe that is clearly anti-Communist.

Unfortunately, a few of the dramatic rants, clearly meant as attacks on the evils and inadequacies of communism, were underemphasized and lost in



photo by Brent McCallus

Josef Gross, played by Michael McCloskey embraces Maria, who is played by Lauren McElligott in *The Memorandum*, which will be performed at Straughn Auditorium throughout this weekend.



photo by Brent McCallus

(Clockwise) Jeannine Schreiber, Melissa Enama, Nancy Corbo, Douglas Bowes

the bedazzling flurry of incomprehensible discourse.

The problem inherently lies not in the interpretation, but in the clumsy dialogue which drew too few laughs to make the play watchable. There were too many spots in which it lingered unnecessarily and it was close to impossible to keep the audience's attention.

This is not the fault of the actors or any of the people involved with the production. Blame rests on the shoulders of the disenfranchised writer. We grant that Havel made a good presentation of his beliefs but in the process he lost the interest of the audience and the artistic value of his creation. With the sheer amount and the complexity of the dialogue it was impressive that the actors were able to make it through the pro-

duction with as little slips as they did with only three weeks of preparation.

Much applause should go to the people responsible for the sets. They were pleasing to the eye and made for a great visual effect. The simplicity of the set is in the fact that all of it except for a chalk board and a set of chairs shows an inventive use of preparation and thought. The magnitude of props used added to the feel that all of this is actually happening however, this has never been a problem in Mansfield's theatrical productions.

Quite the contrary, it very much appears that the Mansfield University Theatre Group has done the best that could be expected with the difficult script it was presented with.

## CALENDAR

### Friday, October 4

5pm Homecoming Queen candidate rehearsal Location: Van Norman Field  
8pm Pep Rally in the Rec Center  
10pm-2am Zanzibar at the HUT

### Saturday, October 5

8:30am Parade Registration  
9am Parade Lineup  
10am Parade in Downtown Mansfield  
11am Women's softball Alumni Game  
12pm Field Hockey; Mansfield vs. Slippery Rock  
12:30pm President's Introduction of

### Hall of Fame Inductees.

12:40pm Homecoming Queen Coronation  
1pm Football-Mansfield vs. Millersville  
2:15pm Half time Band Performance  
4pm Alumni Baseball Game  
7pm Prism Concert in Steadman Theatre  
8pm The Badlees in Concert in Decker Gym  
10pm Zanzibar at the HUT

### Sunday, October 6

2pm Baseball-Mounties vs. Ithaca Col-

### lege

3pm Prism Concert in Steadman Theatre

### Monday, October 7

5pm Flashlight coronation of founding members, 217 memorial  
9pm General chaos at SGA meeting, 204 memorial

### Tuesday, October 8

1pm Ebony Discussion hour in MLK center

### Wednesday, October 9

4pm Field Hockey at home vs. Lock Haven  
7-11pm Pool tournament in Memorial hall  
8pm Retired Wildlife Biologist Arnold Hayden in 204 memorial  
9pm Mac coffeehouse at the HUT

### Thursday, October 10

1pm International Discussion hour in MLK center  
5 star dining in Manser



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## Alumni Hall may ready for student use in two years

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

The future of Alumni Hall is currently being decided by campus officials as they weigh options for the building.

The building, which currently is vacant, and once housed the student library and the offices of MU's administrators, will soon be renovated to make it more student based, Mansfield University President Rod Kelchner said.

"For a long time, the key (to MU's future) was North Hall; now it is Alumni," Kelchner said. "We'll soon move people back into it."

According to Kelchner, the building, which should be completely renovated within two years, will house several student services offices including MU's student union, the Student Activities Office. This office is currently housed in Memorial Hall.

"We will take several of the student services offices and put them together," Kelchner said. "With our development unit together, offices without enough space will be brought together and combined."

This will also include moving some offices out of South Hall in order to give the remaining offices more operating space.

"South Hall organizations have poor space," Kelchner said. "Currently, there is no space (in South Hall) for students to wait and walk through."

Financial services and records offices will stay together in South Hall. This will probably include the admissions office, Kelchner said.

Kelchner also stressed that the university will need to move things around to make more space for certain future classes.

"One of our needs now is space for classrooms with a capacity of more than 25 people," Kelchner said.



photo by Erica Guider

The inside of Alumni Hall is currently being reconstructed for student use.

A key reason many classes and organizations will need more space deals with a program called Distance Education. Distance Education is a program which enables students to take classes at other universities via closed-circuit

TV.

These classes will require more classroom space so the classrooms can accommodate cameras, televisions, and other equipment.

## Maida crowned Homecoming Queen; Thomas is runner up

by Kari Reagan  
staff reporter



photo by Brent McCallus

Erica Guider crowns Jody Maida as 1996 Homecoming Queen.

What do you get when you cross a pep rally, a parade, and a football game with a queen?

You got it, Homecoming 1996 at Mansfield University.

This year's Homecoming had a festive "Fiesta" theme that was integrated into all of the homecoming events.

The festivities began Friday night with a pep rally at the Recreation Center and continued into Saturday with a Homecoming parade and a Homecoming football game.

Along with MU's band were also the band's from Elkland, Mansfield, and Williamson Area High Schools. Several campus organizations and the Mansfield police marched in the parade.

One disappointing aspect of this year's parade was the fact that MU's

band were not in uniform. The band marched in their street clothes and this drew much disappointment with some of the spectators.

MU freshman Nicole Terpolili was very disappointed with the appearance of the band.

"I think that the band looked very unprofessional parading in street clothes rather than in uniform."

After the parade, the homecoming queen candidates and their escorts made their way to Van Norman field for the coronation of the queen and the football game against the Millersville Marauders.

There were seventeen candidates competing for the title of homecoming queen. Jody Maida, representing the music fraternities, escorted by Mark Beltz, was crowned 1996 home-

see **HOMECOMING** pg.2

## Student alleges harassment at Rec Center construction site

by Dave O'Brien  
staff reporter

Allegations of sexual harassment were filed with campus police on behalf of an unidentified female student who was allegedly harassed on September 26 while passing by the construction site of the new and developing recreation center.

The incident allegedly involved comments of a sexually degrading and harassing origin made by a construction worker directed towards an MU female student.

According to K. P. Collier, director of safety and security at MU, the report was filed by a staff member after

the student described the alleged incident to that staff member. While the student would not identify the individual who allegedly harassed her, measures have been taken to assess the matter.

"They (the construction crew) were cooperative and willing to police the ranks," Collier said.

Campus police's response to the matter included a meeting between Collier, Director of Facilities Larry Clarke, recreation center Project Foreman Benjamin Hahn, and six construction workers. The meeting informed the representatives of the construction project of the university's sexual harassment policy.

see **HARRASSMENT** pg. 2

## Maresco still recovering, doing well, after gallbladder surgery

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

A Mansfield University administrator is in stable condition after recently contracting a serious infection that required him to have surgery and caused him to be hospitalized.

Joseph Maresco, vice president of student affairs, is currently doing better while recovering from a severe case of pancreatitis that required him to have his gall bladder removed, according to Director of Residence Life Michael Lemasters.

Maresco will remain hospital-

ized for a time to prevent a recurrence of the infection that caused the pancreatitis.

"He has had no solid food for 16 days," Lemasters said. "The hospital is in no rush to let him out; they still have to resume his diet."

Maresco will remain in the hospital for most of next week, and he should be able to resume his duties in the near future. While hospitalized, Maresco's duties have been overseen by Lemasters.

"I had been Vice-President last year when (Maresco) went in for heart surgery, so the duties are not new to me," Lemasters said.



# Health Fair promotes safety and education

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

The Manser North Dining Hall played host to the annual Public Health Fair sponsored by the Health/Wellness Committee Tuesday.

According to Dr. Helen Biblehimer, nursing professor and chairperson of the Health/Wellness Committee, was pleased with the turnout by students and organizations. The Mansfield University nursing majors performed blood pressure screenings, also.

"We had a good turnout," Biblehimer said. "We took around 70 blood pressure readings."

According to Biblehimer, some of the organizations that took part in the health fair were the psychology club which had stress scale tests, the American Cancer Society which will teach breast and testicular self-examinations and tips for quitting smoking, the Green Home about elderly day care, The North Penn Hospice, mental health specialists,

the Pennsylvania State Police which had a setup against drugs and alcohol, Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital which and doctors in attendance, the student workers committee which provided free condoms, and Dr. Robert Strohecker, eye safety.

"We gave out free condoms and had free immunizations," Biblehimer said.

Biblehimer said that she was happy with the outcome of the health fair because of it having been her first one. She was also pleased with the way a variety of information aimed at raising awareness of health issues and promoting health awareness was provided.

"It was a good chance to get some networking done for myself," Biblehimer said. "I got to know a lot of people. It was a good way to promote a healthy lifestyle."

According to Biblehimer, some things could have worked out better though.

"It was hard to get people from the community and town to come be-



photo by Erica Guider

Students and faculty both participated in Mansfield Universities Public Health Fair held on Tuesday, October 8th in North Dining Hall. According to Dr. Helen Biblehimer, around seventy blood pressure readings were taken.

cause of the parking," Biblehimer said. "They really don't want to have to walk over the mountain to get here especially in the night."

According to Biblehimer, the Public Health Fair will be back next year at the same time.

## MU music department presents annual Prism concert

by Stephanie R. DeNicola  
staff reporter

On October 5th and 6th, Mansfield University Music Department presented its annual Prism Concert. The concert featured the music students in solo, chamber, and large ensembles. All of the proceeds went to the Music Scholarship Fund.

The ensembles performed from all corners of Steadman Theatre and were not interrupted except for quotes regarding music and the arts read by faculty member Adam Brennan between the pieces. Applause was held until the en-

tire concert came to an end.

The ensembles that performed were the MU Jazz Ensemble, a flute trio, Mansfieldians, MU Symphony Orchestra, MU Saxophon Quartet, a piano quartet, MU Trombone Choir, MU Percussion Ensemble, MU Concert Choir, and MU Concert Wind Ensemble.

The concert lasted one hour and was viewed by students, parents, and alumni. The music performed by the ensembles included pieces by Vivaldi, Tchaikovsky, and Handel. All of the pieces were smooth and entertained audience members.

The general reaction among the audience members was positive. Evelyn

Quade came from the Pittsburgh area to see her daughter, Brandi Duso, perform with the MU Concert Choir.

"I enjoyed the variety and the excellence of the music," said Quade. "I thought it was well done and had an artistic flair."

Ronald and Dawn Bealer came from the Pottstown area to see their daughter, Mollie Bealer, perform with the MU Concert Wind Ensemble and MU Jazz Band.

The couple enjoyed the concert but had one criticism. "We are not able to see all of the music department performances. We would have liked it to be a little longer," they said. "Otherwise, it

was beautifully done."

Michele Manduchi was an usher at both of the Prism Concert performances. "I liked the fact that almost all of the department ensembles were represented in one concert," said Manduchi.

The MU Marching Band and MU Symphonic Band, two other MU music department ensembles, were not included in the concert.

The Prism Concert is annually presented by the students and faculty of the MU music department during each fall semester. The concert is one of several held throughout the year to raise money for the music department.

## Views on Columbus, racism, and conspiracies expressed at forum

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

A fair sized audience gathered on Wednesday, October 8th, to hear an open discussion about America's most famous explorer and his impacts on our country.

The forum entitled, "Columbus, Explorer or Oppressor?" featured several faculty members who spoke their opinions about the controversial explorer and his actions.

Dr. Priscilla Travis, communications professor and forum moderator, began the evening by presenting a synopsis of Columbus' voyages and by summarizing his impact on American Indians.

Dr. Dennis Murray, Mansfield

psychology professor began the formal debate with a view of Columbus as an explorer who took risks and was motivated by the attitudes of his surrounding society.

"(Columbus) undertook a daring, risky business," Murray said. "He came from an ego-centric culture, had a sense of exaggerated self-importance. He had little respect for the people."

Dr. William Yaccovisi, economics professor, attempted to paint Columbus as a common explorer of his time whose treatment of natives was not uncommon.

"Columbus was not the least bit unusual," Yaccovisi said. "If you are going to judge Columbus, you have to judge him by the standards of his time."

Yaccovisi read to the audience two passages which detailed the violent

atmosphere prevalent in European society during Columbus' time. One passage told of the warrior tendencies of Europe during the 15th century and the other, a passage from the Bible, described the destruction of the city of Jericho.

"People raped, murdered, killed and looted on a regular basis," Yaccovisi said. "Until the industrial revolution, technology was unable to support European society."

Dr. Walter Funmaker, professor of anthropology, blamed Columbus for bringing plights to Native Americans and North America.

"Christopher Columbus introduced infectious diseases and perhaps 30 million people died from this," Funmaker said.

Funmaker went on to talk about

how Native Americans introduced many crops to Europeans but never received any retribution.

"Native Americans gave the Europeans corn and potatoes and were never paid," Funmaker said. "I expect a check any day now."

Funmaker expressed that he believes that Columbus helped plant the roots of racism in this nation.

"Columbus is a mirror of society. Racism is still there. That is the Columbus legacy," Funmaker said. "AIDS, a man-made disease, is meant to impede the progress of minorities."

Dr. Dick Walker of the math department was offended by Funmaker's idea that AIDS is a man-made disease.

"Racism is not an American disease, it is a human disease," Walker said.

## Student Government discusses bad concrete and paper charges

by Tracy Gay  
staff reporter

On October 7, the Student Government Association meeting was held.

At the beginning of the meeting members of SGA were introduced to Director of Residence Life Michael Lemasters. Lemasters is assuming all of the responsibilities of Vice President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco.

Maresco is still out following the removal of his gall bladder.

SGA was informed by Lemasters of the error in the building of the new Student Recreational Center. A lower quality of cement than what Mansfield University bargained for was used in the foundation of the building however, the cement met Pennsylvania requirements.

The building in its current use is fine however, the foundation is not sound enough if the university decides to add on to it when the building is completed.

At the present time MU is not pressing charges on this matter.

"If the University decides we don't want it then the case goes to court, which could take a while to settle," Lemasters stated.

Students in Maple are complaining of the distractions from the construction of the Recreation Center.

"The project has some distractions but the roof must be finished before bad weather sets in. So there is no damage done to the building," said

Lemasters.

Once again papers charges were resurfaced. A committee is being formed to find out if students will be charged for paper. At the present time there are no charges in effect, however, it is only a matter of time before there are.

Several senators asked questions regarding how to stop paper charges before they go into effect at Mansfield University.



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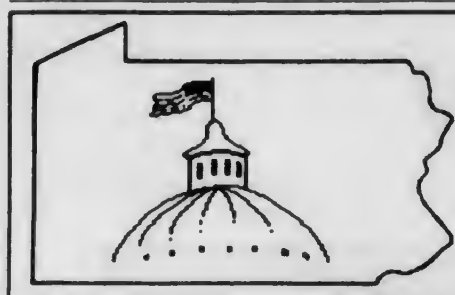
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## Pennsylvania in the News

### Governor Ridge to sign bill banning same sex marriages

HARRISBURG (AP) — Citing his belief that marriage is between a man and a woman, Gov. Tom Ridge said he will sign a bill that bans gay marriages in Pennsylvania.

The Legislature adopted the measure Monday, after the House, in a 189-13 vote, agreed to technical amendments added by the Senate before approving it last week. The House passed the bill in June.

Pennsylvania will join 11 other states that ban same-sex marriages and do not recognize such unions performed outside their borders.

Rep. Mark Cohen, D-Philadelphia, voted against the bill and said those who supported it voted with the Nov. 5 election in mind. He said there has never been a gay couple officially married in the state or the country.

"I think it's silly to outlaw something that doesn't exist," he said. "I think there is a serious problem with the spread of AIDS in society. Just as heterosexual marriages reduce heterosexual promiscuity, I believe homosexual marriages reduce homosexual promiscuity."

In New Jersey, which is considering similar legislation, Gov. Christie Whitman has said she opposes same-sex marriages, but believes a bill to ban them is not needed in her state.

Last month, President Clinton signed a law that bans federal recognition of same-sex marriages, but does not prohibit states from allowing gays to marry one another.

Of the 13 House Democrats who broke with Clinton, 10 are from Philadelphia. Rep. Thaddeus Kirkland, D-Delaware, Rep. Thomas Michlovic, D-Allegheny, and Rep. Ivan Itkin, D-Pittsburgh, also voted against the bill. No House Republican opposed it.

The debate over same-sex marriage began with a 1993 Hawaii Supreme Court ruling in a suit brought by three gay couples. They claimed the state's refusal to grant them marriage licenses violated the sex-discrimination clause in Hawaii's constitution.

The court returned the case to a lower court, saying Hawaii officials must prove a "compelling government interest" if they are to bar same-sex marriages.

A final ruling on whether the couples have the legal right to marry may be years away.

The Legislature's action seems to reflect the general sentiment of Pennsylvanians. In a recent survey by the Center for Politics and Public Affairs at Millersville University, 59 percent of the respondents said they strongly disagreed with legalizing same-sex marriages.

### Policeman shot during hostage situation

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A Philadelphia police officer was wounded in the left leg while trying to thwart a robbery and hostage situation.

Officer Vincent Jones, 29, was shot early Sunday morning by two men who were fleeing a robbery at a Chinese restaurant, police said. He was released from the hospital Sunday night.

Officers responded to a 911 call at 3:30 a.m. and surrounded the building, where the two men were holding hostages in an apartment over the restaurant.

Shortly after 5 a.m., police said, the men emerged from the restaurant with David Ly, 9, and his mother, Anna. The pair forced the hostages into the family car and

began firing at officers while driving off, police said.

"There were shots fired from the car at police, at which time police shot the tires of the vehicle out," Police Commissioner Richard Neal said.

Officers pulled the two suspects from the wreck; the two hostages were unharmed. The store owner was found bound, gagged and beaten in the apartment.

"My dad was tied up and they hit him," said David Ly. "They broke almost everything upstairs — even the telephone."

### Boy, 12, confesses to rape of girl, 6

FREEDOM, Pa. (AP) — A 12-year-old boy admitted that he raped a 6-year-old girl, a police officer said.

The boy was held in Allencrest Juvenile Detention Center in Beaver County following a detention hearing Monday. He has been charged with rape, aggravated indecent assault and indecent assault, Rochester Police Officer Jeffrey Lizzi said Tuesday.

Lizzi said he was in the neighborhood where the boy and girl live about a block apart on Sunday when he saw the girl's mother shouting at the boy and accusing him of rape.

The boy and girl had been observed leaving a weedy field near the girl's house, and both were pulling their pants up, Lizzi said.

Lizzi said he interviewed the girl, who accused the boy of assaulting her. He said he then interviewed the boy, who admitted to the assault.

## Pitt licenses gene's clone for commercial use

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The University of Pittsburgh said Wednesday it has granted a Maryland company exclusive license to its clones of a human gene that plays a role in blood-vessel health.

Meantime, researchers continue to examine whether the gene may someday help patients with vessels that become blocked due to complications from angioplasty, dialysis or surgery.

"Initial animal studies look very promising. More animal studies are needed," said Dr. Timothy Billiar, who heads the research team at Pitt.

Neither GenVec Inc. of Rockville, Md., nor the university would disclose details of the agreement. Billiar said they are collaborating on the research.

Billiar and his team, along with researchers from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md., isolated and cloned the iNOS gene in 1993.

The gene is named for the enzyme it produces, inducible nitric oxide synthase, which in turn manufactures nitric oxide, a gas that lowers blood pressure.

The enzyme is present in the lining of blood vessels. When that lining is damaged, nitric oxide production is reduced. In the absence of the gas, muscle tissue grows inside the vessel and eventually

may clog it.

Some procedures that may damage the blood-vessel lining are angioplasty, in which a tiny balloon is inserted into a vessel and then inflated to clear a blockage; bypass surgery; and surgery to connect an artery to a vein to prepare a patient for kidney dialysis.

Nitroglycerin pills provide nitric oxide for heart patients. But Billiar said pills wouldn't be appropriate for blood-vessel damage because they would lower the patient's blood pressure too much. If a gene therapy is developed, it could deliver the nitric oxide to the specific site.

Paul H. Fischer, chief operating officer of GenVec, said gene therapy could avoid those side effects.

"We look at it as a little nitric oxide factory that we can transfer the gene in for," Billiar said.

If research reaches the point of testing on people, the most likely trial participants would be dialysis patients because their grafts are easy to reach, he said.

Calls for comment from researchers at Baylor University in Dallas, the University of California in Los Angeles and Molecular Geriatrics Corp. in Lake Bluff, Ill., were not immediately returned.

### Welfare protesters chased from Capitol

HARRISBURG (AP) — A federal judge has ordered a group of welfare protesters who have been camping on the front steps of the state Capitol to move their tent by noon today.

U.S. Middle District Chief Judge Sylvia H. Rambo on Wednesday decided against the protesters, who were seeking a temporary restraining order to stop the Ridge administration from enforcing newly written rules requiring events on Capitol premises to stop by 8 p.m.

The protesters have been sleeping outside the Capitol since last Friday, when they were evicted from the lobby. They

spent two weeks there — day and night — to draw attention to the needs of the homeless.

The protesters are the remnants of a group from the Kensington Welfare Rights Union, which marched from Philadelphia to Harrisburg more than a month ago to protest government cuts in aid to the poor.

"You can protest at your capital every day," said Tim Reeves, a spokesman for Gov. Tom Ridge. "But all we have said is that at the end of the day when the Capitol closes it's time to close down until the next day."

### Man convicted of killing four year-old

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A former bakery truck driver has been convicted in his second trial on charges of crushing the skull of his 4-year-old neighbor and dumping her naked corpse into a cardboard box.

The jury that found Walter Ogrod guilty of first-degree murder and involuntary deviate sexual intercourse returns today to determine whether he should be put to death or sentenced to life in prison.

Ogrod, 31, was convicted in the death of Barbara Jean Horner, who prosecutors with candy kisses on July 12, 1988, and beaten to death with a bar from a weight set.

The girl's was found around the corner from her Northeast Philadelphia home in a discarded television box.

Ogrod escaped suspicion for more than three years but was arrested in 1992 after a pair of detectives decided to re-interview all of Horner's neighbors. Police

said Ogrod broke into tears after 20 minutes of questioning and confessed.

Ogrod's hope, police said, was that the girl's stepfather would be blamed for the killing. They said Ogrod had a secret crush on Barbara Jean's mother, Sharon, and hoped her husband's arrest would give him a chance to date her.

His first trial in 1993 ended with a mistrial when a male juror stood up and said he could not go along with an acquittal.

Defense attorney Mark S. Greenberg called Ogrod a shy young man who would never have the nerve to attack the girl, let alone march through his neighborhood with her body in a box. He promised to appeal.

After the conviction was read, the girl's stepfather, John Fahey, said, "As long as he is not given another chance to harm another child, to do another family what he did to our family, I don't care what happens to Walter Ogrod."

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## Around the Nation

### Mormon president encourages moms to stay home with kids

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Mormon Church President Gordon B. Hinckley says mothers should forego full-time employment in favor of the child-rearing that makes women "the real builders of the nation."

"It is well-nigh impossible to be a full-time homemaker and a full-time employee," Hinckley said Sunday in a sermon directed to the women of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Hinckley said he realizes many women are driven into the job market by economic necessity.

"To you I say, do the very best you can. I hope that if you are employed full-time you are doing it to ensure that basic needs are met and not simply to indulge a taste for an elaborate home, fancy cars and other luxuries," he said.

Moreover, Hinckley said, although women are forbidden the Mormon priesthood, their contributions "working hand in hand with the priesthood" make them "an absolutely essential part" of God's plan for humankind.

"We sustain the priesthood and are sustained by its power," said Elaine L. Jack, general president of the Relief Society, the church's women's auxiliary. "The sisters of the church ... treasure our opportunity to be full partakers of the spiritual blessings of the priesthood."

Hinckley said he often is asked by reporters about the role of women in a church where only males 12 and older hold offices in the lay priesthood.

"They do so in an almost accusatory tone, as if we denigrate and demean women," said Hinckley, 86, who became president and prophet of the church in March 1995.

"I invariably reply that I know of no other organization in all the world which affords women so many opportunities for development, for sociality, for the accomplishment of great good, for holding positions of leadership and responsibility," he said.

Mormon women have leadership roles in the Relief Society and organizations for children and young women. But men hold all other leadership positions from bishops of local congregations to the approximately 100-member hierarchy of the 9.6 million-member church.

"It was the Lord who designated that men in his church should hold the priesthood," said Hinckley, who cited no scriptural or other reference in the printed text of his remarks.

In a "60 Minutes" interview broadcast in April, Hinckley said only males hold

the Mormon priesthood "because God stated that it should be so. That was the revelation to the church. That was the way it was set forth."

Lavina Fielding Anderson, a member of the staff of the independent Mormon Women's Forum Quarterly, pointed out no revelation specifically excluding women from the priesthood has ever been published or announced.

"I think what we have here is a case of interpretive drift. Doctrine is being invented to bolster a tradition," said Anderson, who was excommunicated in 1993 for publication of a paper detailing church leaders' conflicts with Mormon intellectuals and feminists.

The male-only priesthood has been criticized for years by a small minority of Mormon women. Some have been excommunicated or otherwise disciplined for raising the issue publicly.

In his conference address Sunday, Hinckley acknowledged that among Mormon women, there is "a certain spirit of independence, and yet great satisfaction in being a part of this the Lord's kingdom and of working hand in hand with the priesthood to move it forward."

"You sisters are the real builders of the nation wherever you live. For you have created homes of strength and peace and security. These become the very sinew of any nation," he said.

Beverly Hoppe, an active Mormon who works for the Veterans Administration in Salt Lake City, watched Hinckley's address on television and felt he succeeded in conveying concern for the plight of single mothers.

"My opinion is that President Hinckley wanted to assure women in the church of their inherent value in the sight of God and in the sight of the leaders of the church," she said.

In an afternoon address, Elder Richard G. Scott of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles told husbands not to urge their wives into the workplace at the expense of their children.

"One of Satan's most effective approaches is to demean the role of wife and mother in the home," Scott said. "This is an attack at the very heart of God's plan to foster love between husband and wife, and to nurture children in an atmosphere of understanding, peace, appreciation and support."

Hinckley also had a message for men, upbraiding husbands who "put on a fine face before the world during the day" and go home and abuse their wives and children.

### Syria warns Israel of "most grave and unbearable losses"

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Accusing Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of "beating the drums of war," Syria's defense minister warned Israel on Sunday that it would pay a big price if war breaks out in the Middle East.

In a statement marking the anniversary of the 1973 Arab-Israeli war, Lt. Gen. Mustafa Tlass said Netanyahu's policies on Syria, south Lebanon and the West Bank and Gaza Strip posed a "real danger to the Middle East peace process and the stability of the region."

"If Netanyahu ... embarked on a new military adventure, he will regret it as Israel will be afflicted with the most grave and unbearable losses it has ever endured," Tlass said.

His statement was published in al-Baath newspaper, mouthpiece of the ruling Baath party led by President Hafez Assad.

Tlass, a long-time confidant of the Syr-

ian leader, also called on Arab states to stop immediately normalizing ties with Israel.

Syria, he said, remained committed to the principle of land for peace as the basis for an Arab-Israeli settlement.

Tlass' warning to Israel comes at a time when the Arabs are angry and frustrated by what they see as Netanyahu's negative approach toward the Middle East peace process.

Syria's own peace negotiations with Israel broke down in March after nearly five years of on-and-off talks.

The two are bitterly divided over the Golan Heights, a strategic plateau in southwest Syria captured by Israel in 1967.

Syria wants the heights back, but Israel says they are of vital importance to its security.

### Black man, 21, sentenced to 5 years in prison for church fire

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A black man convicted of arson for burning a predominantly black church last summer was sentenced Monday to 5 years in federal prison.

Antoine Jamar Dean, 21, apologized in court to his family, to church members and to all African-Americans for setting the June 20 fire that gutted the Immanuel Christian Fellowship.

"I want everyone, and mostly Afro-American brothers and sisters across the country, to know that I was blind and had my eyes set on big money instead of realizing how hard it is for us Afro-Americans, how hard we struggle in life and try to get above water," Dean said.

The arson attracted national media attention because it occurred when other arsons were being reported at churches around the country.

U.S. District Judge Malcolm Marsh noted that Dean had been arrested about 20 times since 1988 and previously has been convicted of car theft, being a felon

in possession of a firearm and theft.

"Believe me, you have accomplished quite a bit for one who's 21 years old," Marsh said.

Dean, who began crying as Marsh read the sentence, still faces sentencing Thursday on a weapons charge in Multnomah County Circuit Court.

The Oregonian reported in August that a prison inmate who had served time with Dean offered him \$10,000 to burn the church.

Sources had told the newspaper the inmate, who also is black, had a history of persuading other inmates to commit crimes. He then informs police with the hope of getting reward money or a transfer to another prison.

"We all make mistakes," Dean said Monday. "This just happens to be a greater mistake in my life."

Dean still is serving time for a parole violation unrelated to the arson conviction. His federal prison term will begin in December.

### Vermont man gets hit by two moose within five hours

ISLAND POND, Vt. (AP) — It was already a bad day after Michael O'Keefe was a passenger in a moose-related auto accident. But less than five hours later, another moose was after the car he was driving.

O'Keefe, 44, is a machine operator for the St. Lawrence & Atlantic Railroad.

O'Keefe was carpooling to work early last Sunday morning with his uncle, Cecil "Chico" O'Keefe. It was foggy, and his uncle was behind the wheel of his old Plymouth wagon, going east at 55 mph on Vermont 105.

Both O'Keefes are usually alert for moose — one family member had already been killed in a moose-related auto accident — but that morning Chico O'Keefe was in a hurry. The car slammed into a 700-pound moose, shattering the windshield and flattening the roof.

Neither man was seriously hurt. From the scene, Michael O'Keefe went to a doctor for cuts on his arms. Later he went apple picking in Morgan.

Around 11:30 a.m., a still shaken Michael O'Keefe was driving home alone

in his Ford pickup on Vermont 111 when 800 pounds of bad luck came at him.

"This giant moose came screaming out of the woods at a full-gallop. I hit my brakes and blew my horn and cut the wheel," he said.

The moose's antlers seemed headed for O'Keefe's head, but at the last moment the animal turned to the passenger side.

"The antlers caught the top of the truck and his nose hit the windshield," O'Keefe said. "As he was coming down, I yanked my truck from under him so he'd land on the highway."

Canaan game warden Paul Fink was called to the scene as he was returning from depositing the moose killed by Chico O'Keefe at a Troy slaughter house. The second moose was alive but suffering. Fink killed it with one shot.

"Everybody around here has had their close calls," O'Keefe said. "But the ones that really wack 'em, that's a whole new ball game, believe me. That's the one I never want to do again. My poor heart can't take much more."

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*It's good to  
be the Queen!*

*JC*

## Homecoming queen contest is sexist

Homecoming has come and gone once again and left some of us here at the *Flashlight* with a bitter taste in our mouths. It's not that we don't enjoy the festivities, or that we don't have any school spirit. Our major problem with Homecoming is the whole Homecoming Queen ordeal. It seems to us that this "traditional" competition is little more than a glorified popularity contest. What is more, it is extremely sexist.

Most people will probably try to counter this argument by pointing to the fact that the first male candidate to enter the contest at Mansfield University in at least 20 years, Rob Thomas, came in second this year. While we feel that it is a wonderful thing that a male actually had the courage to go against the standard conventions of the event, it was only a small consolation. We know that Thomas only ran to show people that the contest is not a serious matter.

A basic synopsis of this event might serve to show the silliness of the whole thing. First, any organization can enter one candidate (preferably female) in the contest. This person's picture is then posted on the wall in Memorial Hall a few days before Homecoming, and students are then encouraged to vote for their favorite. Of course, this means that everyone votes for a candidate they know, or for a candidate who is a member of one of their organizations or who is physically attractive. This year, at the very least, those who took the time to vote had the choice to select a male candidate.

The candidates then spend the day of the big Homecoming show riding in convertibles in the parade. The sponsoring organization is required to arrange the transportation. Then comes the spectacular Homecoming Queen coronation which happens before the football game and where last year's queen is required to perform her one duty of office: crowning the winner. The new queen does nothing at all to serve her position during the following year. There are no appearances to make, no presentations to do, and no acknowledgement of her honor until she must abdicate the throne.

The lack of involvement is not the only down side of the competition. As previously stated, the competition is very sexist. The lack of a king category is nothing but an antiquated remnant of the chauvinistic belief that women should be put on display for their beauty and nothing else. Organized largely by and for men, these types of competitions are humiliating and degrading, and we find it sad that so many people agree to be part of this competition.

While we do advocate equal opportunity and representation of both sexes, the simple addition of a male category would do little to improve this contest. If any males chose to run at all, the contest would still be purely based on popularity.

We think that the whole contest needs revamping. There should be certain requirements for candidates, no matter what their sex. For example, a candidate might be required to write an essay, or at least be judged somehow by merit, not simply by looks, popularity, or by the organization they were sponsored by. It would also be better if the winner had some kind of function to fulfill during his or her year in the position. Even if it consisted of nothing more than a requirement to be present at certain functions and do something for the university in the position of "Queen," this would serve to bring a little more meaning to the position. Currently the only recognition given to the homecoming monarch is during the coronation. If we're even going to have the contest, it might just as well actually mean something.

## Congratulations on 1890's Contest

To the Editor and the Campus Community.

It has been a few weeks since September 17, but the afterglow is still with me. In spite of rain, the celebration of North Hall's new life made me happy. I commend the stu-

dents who responded to the 1890's Clothing Contest. Each outfit reflected the wearer's thought and purpose. I thank you all for your time and effort. To Judge Biddison, my gratitude also.

Always it is enjoyable to go back in time, so to speak.

Still, I'm thankful that I live in the 1990's. I like wearing slacks to work as opposed to long dresses.

Sincerely,  
Barbara R. York

## Negative response to play review

To the Editor,

The play I saw this weekend in Straughn Auditorium had the same title and cast as the one described by your three reviewers in last week's issue, but it feels to me like we must have seen different productions.

I found the dialogue of Vaclav Havel's "The Memorandum" clear, not incomprehensible, and graceful, not "clumsy." More important, though, I did not see performers calling attention to their status as "amateur college students" struggling with

a play by a "disenfranchised" writer who could not keep the interest of the audience.

Instead, I saw an impressive cast that thoroughly understood the relevance and power of a very fine play, a cast having a lot of fun with their material and sharing their enjoyment with the audience, a cast doing a good part of exactly what makes college theatre worth doing in the first place - bringing world-class plays to an audience that rarely comes upon such works - and helping everybody, especially themselves, grow in the process.

The choice of play was Bernard Koloski

the strength, not the weakness of this production. Together with the other three plays scheduled for the academic year ("A Point of Order," "Phantom," and "Sauce for the Goose"), it offers the Mansfield community a rich, well-balanced theatre season made up of different kinds of plays: those that entertain and affirm and those, like this one, that mostly provoke and challenge, that leave an alert audience brooding about the world on the stage - and its connections with their own world - for days afterward.

### Commentary policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary you may turn it in to the *Flashlight* office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writer's name, major, class and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week, we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.

### Letters to the editor policy

The *Flashlight* is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is not willing to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

The *Flashlight* reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length or clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off at the *Flashlight* office, 217 Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday, or mailed to the above address.



## Commentary

# Tennis is not for the poor, or the squeamish



Dave Barry

So I went to the U.S. Open tennis tournament, which is a big tennis event in New York City, which by the way has gotten much nicer. I say this because, as I was getting out of a taxi, I was startled by the sound of a woman's voice, coming from somewhere behind me, saying something like, "Please check for your personal belongings!"

I assume that this was a recorded announcement, being played as part of New York's visitor-courtesy campaign. Either that, or some poor woman is locked in the trunk, and if you keep listening she says: "Please get me out of here!"

But getting back to the U.S. Open: This is definitely the place to be if you want to see the finest tennis players in the world throw up. (More on this later.) But I warn you: You might be in-

timidated by the crowd. I was. I'm more used to football crowds, the type of crowd where you can paint your body and dance on the seats and blow on a giant plastic horn and wear an animal-shaped hat the size of a fire hydrant and scream insults at the officials so loud that traces of your saliva wind up in the hair of people sitting 38 rows in front of you, and you will not even be noticed.

Tennis is not like this. The U.S. Open crowd is made up mainly of your wealthy, upper-crust, wine-snot type of individual, the type of individual who is genuinely concerned about the rising cost of helicopter maintenance, the type of individual who does not personally do The Wave because he or she has a staff for that purpose. Tennis has tried to soften its elitist image via such public-outreach programs as having the top players go into the inner cities and donate their used polo ponies to the poor. But the sport still attracts mainly your conservative, reserved fan. The entire U.S. Open crowd makes less noise cheering than a single New York Jets fan makes burping.

I'll tell you one reason why tennis doesn't appeal to the masses: The rules were invented by insane people (specifically, the French). If you look at a normal sport such as baseball, you see that the rules are very logical: three strikes is an out, unless the third one is a foul tip (but NOT if the catcher catches it), or if the catcher drops the third strike, in which case the batter may advance, provided that there are runners on first

or first and second and fewer than two outs ... no, wait, that's the Infield Fly Rule.

But my point is that baseball makes sense; whereas tennis has a virtually random scoring system. When players win a "point," most of the time they actually get 15 points, except sometimes, for no apparent reason, they get 10 points, and sometimes (this is during the "tie-breaker") they get one point, and sometimes they get NO points, which means they are at "deuce," which has something to do with "ad." I think a big reason why tennis crowds are so quiet is that everybody's sitting there thinking: "What the HELL is the score?"

This is not to say that tennis isn't exciting. I saw a moment at the U.S. Open the tennis world is still talking about this moment - when Pete Sampras, with the score tied (also known as "deuce") (or possibly "ad") in the fifth "set" (or possibly "game") of an extremely tense "match" (or "furlong"), reached deep within himself and - as the truly great athletes will - ralphed (or, in tennis lingo, "lobbed his lunch") right on the court. And then he won! The crowd was so excited that at the end of the match, one fan - I swear I am not making this up - ran down to court side and got the actual towel that had been used to clean up after Sampras. The fan then left the stadium, proudly waving this fabulous trophy over his head. Imagine: A towel containing Pete Sampras' actual puke! Everybody at the country

club is going to be SO jealous!

Let me stress that, despite the Sampras episode, tennis is good for your health. I know this because while I was at the U.S. Open, Donna Shalala, the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, materialized for no apparent reason and held a press conference at which she revealed the startling information that, according to a study commissioned by her and performed by the Surgeon General - EXERCISE IS GOOD FOR YOU. I am dead serious. They gave out a press kit and everything.

It wasn't made clear why Secretary Shalala chose to announce this at a tennis tournament, where the participants and most of the spectators already engage in a physical activity (tennis). Wouldn't it have been more logical for her to make her announcement at some locale where people mostly just sit around doing nothing, such as a bar or a golf course? Do you suppose she really just wanted to watch the U.S. Open? Are other Cabinet members going to pull the same scam? Are we going to see, for example, the Secretary of Transportation showing up at the Super Bowl to announce that, according to a study, the Earth is round?

But never mind that. The point is that, according to a study paid for by your personal tax dollars, exercise is good for you. Doesn't that make you want to get up and DO something? It definitely makes me want to do something. Somebody get me a towel.

## Dole searches for relevant role in mideast crisis

Tom Raum

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bob Dole has been a hesitant critic of President Clinton on foreign policy but Clinton's Mideast summit leaves him facing a particularly perplexing dilemma.

Sometimes ignoring staff advice to speak out more forcefully, Dole has been struggling to show he's not irrelevant to the process.

It's a hard task.

Presidential races rarely turn on international-policy issues, but nothing can make an incumbent seem more "presidential" than dealing with a crisis close to an election — while his opponent sits on the sidelines.

With just five weeks to Election Day, Clinton — comfortably ahead in national polls — has his hands full overseeing the peace talks he convened in Washington on Tuesday.

By contrast, the Republican nominee had a sparse schedule: just one public event on Tuesday, a rally at a small community college near Cleveland. He has a similarly light schedule today, a rally at a small college in central Pennsylvania.

Furthermore, after needling Clinton from Ohio for conducting a "photo op foreign policy" with the summit, Dole was having a bit of a problem in arranging a photo op of his own with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

The two were to meet Tuesday afternoon in Netanyahu's hotel room when Dole returned from Ohio. But because of the peace talks, the meeting was

put off until this evening — at Netanyahu's request.

Dole does not criticize Clinton's efforts to broker a peace. Rather, he has faulted him for indirectly opposing Netanyahu in the Israeli elections earlier this year.

That has given the Clinton administration less leverage with the hard-line Netanyahu government than a Dole administration might have, argue Dole and congressional Republicans.

It might be a distinction lost on most Americans, especially since Clinton was actually sitting down with the Israeli leader while Dole was having a hard time even scheduling a session

with him.

"Every day that Clinton is out being presidential in the Rose Garden is a bad day for Bob Dole," said Fred Greenstein, a political scientist at Princeton University.

Even if Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat don't get peace talks back on track, "the Clinton try is going to be a plus for him," Greenstein said.

The dilemma is more acute for Dole because of his Senate record as an internationalist on foreign policy — one who in the past has tended to support presidents of either party in dealing with international crises and whose core

views are not that different from Clinton's.

While the former Senate majority leader has criticized the president when the occasion has demanded it, he just as often has pulled back from confrontation.

He delayed a major policy address on Asia for months, only to wind up siding with Clinton on renewing China's most-favored nation trade status.

He rebuked Clinton for U.S. policy in Bosnia, but at the same time voiced support for U.S. troops Clinton sent there as part of a U.N. peacekeeping force.

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# Out of Context

## An inaptly named ten point list

### Alright, who left Josh alone with the Thesaurus?

by Josh Cusatis  
editor in D minor

I've been told that I'm currently trying to coagulate a story in my head but I'm not completely sure that is an accurate description of my situation. A definite misrepresentation is that I'm trying to correlate a story in my head. I know that's irrevocably wrong.

All I know is (blatant Pixies advertisement)... All I know is that I'm trying to correlate my thoughts into a strong argument that according to all of you will most likely be funny. I must try to deliver because, after all, I am a man of the people.

In keeping with what I have been told is the theme of the week for the features pages, I'm going to do a list of things (another damn list) that I find silly, stupid, and just plain idiotic.

1. What's the deal with these stupid "No Smoking" signs I see all over the place? I thought that smocks were a good thing. After all, they keep our clothes clean whenever we decide to do some painting or roll around in the blood, mud, and muck.

If anyone out there agrees with this observation then you should pick the book "National Lampoon's True Facts." It has a plethora (there's that word again) of funny signs in it such as: "Taco Bell: University" or "Sorry, We're Open!"

## The six inch man falls in love

### Or a very short story with no moral

by Ian Kaiser  
editor in absentia

Once upon a time there was a very tiny man named Al. Al was only six inches tall. This did not seem at all strange to him, since he had been born and raised this way. The thought simply never occurred to him that he should be taller. Sure, he saw tall people, and knew that her was much, much shorter than them, but this was the way he was and he never questioned it.

One day Al was walking to work (where does a six inch man work, you might ask... he was the assistant chief beer bottle washer at the local re-

2. There's a sticker on the hot chocolate machine in South Manser that reads: "Caution, Hot Liquids Being Dispensed Here."

3. Last week's column, written by myself. I found it trite and completely worthy of nothing, but all of you seemed to laugh at it which I can't understand since I have no control of the English language whatsoever. In the future, please don't give me the benefit of the doubt.

4. Little kids coming up to North Hall and copying porno pictures from the Internet and then selling them downtown for two dollars apiece. They usually leave North Hall with over two hundred copies that they are getting for free. Now c'mon people! I'm ashamed of all of you. We're supposed to be smart college students and none of us could come up with this idea before a couple of little kids did!?! And I thought we were all poor.

5. Kurt Vonnegut Jr. I don't know what his problem is. I'm half-way through his book "Breakfast of Champions" (I've read a couple of his books) and all I can tell so far is that it's about fast food restaurants, pornography, and insanity. Don't get me wrong, I love Vonnegut's books (he's actually my favorite writer) but it seems to me that he has wet dreams about aliens from the future coming to our planet, taking over, making us into slaves, and bantering about religion for a couple hundred of

cycling center.) when he fell into a mud puddle. A mud puddle would pose little less than an inconvenience to any of us, but to Al, who was only six inches tall, this was something of a problem.

As he floundered about in the murky water, crying out for help in his shrill little voice, a very large woman happened by. And she was large even by our standards, so to Al she was huge! She plucked Al out of the mud puddle, gave him a kiss, and he turned into a really ugly big fat bald guy with bad breath. It took him a few minutes to get used to his new role in life. He was of course eternally grateful (one wonders why) and asked the woman to marry him.

They lived happily ever after.

pages. All this and humor too. Sunday, Sunday, Sunday!

6. Shaving cream. It has so many uses but rarely is it used for what it was intended to be used for. Do people think it's really funny when you cover the S in a stop sign to make it spell TOP? No, I don't think so. I would tell you to get a sense of humor but I don't have enough sense of humor to save myself from a laughing hyena.

7. Why did the Italians lose the war? Because they ordered ziti instead of shells! Ha, ha!

8. Cabbage and jaundice, as well as a rhinoceros.

9. Mansfield University. I have a little jingle that I enjoy singing to myself sometimes because it makes me feel better about my choice of a higher education. It's sung to the tune of the Knobel's Amusement Resort TV advertisement. It goes: "Fun, food and fantasy. Mansfield Amusement Resort!" I like it and I hope you do too.

Well, I hope you like my little list because I don't. Actually, I have no idea if it's possible to have sarcasm to your own thoughts and ideas but I'll be damned if I don't at least try.

I would like to ask you again that if you have any possible ideas or thoughts that might make a good basis for my little diatribes and rants. Give your ideas to me directly or send them to the Flashlight in 217 Memorial Hall. I have trouble thinking and discovering them myself. So far I have not been dazzled by your flurry of assistance.

I better stop here because the column is getting very stolid.

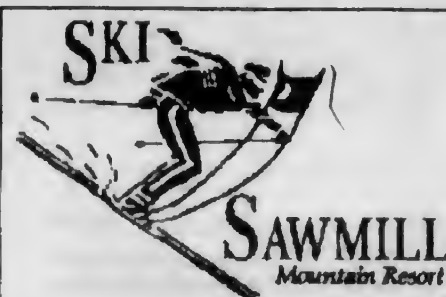
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## Non Sequitur

### A review of ten points about nothing in particular

by Chris McGann  
not an editor

I have decided to write about ten different points that I feel need addressed in an issue of the *Flashlight*. Let me get a beer before I start. Now I'm ready. Here goes.

Point 1-I am Ikus. In case no one has seen Nickelodeon's *Real Monsters*, Ikus is the main character. He is magenta colored (not yellow) and his special ability to scare humans is that he grows big, yells at people, and his eyes turn red. However, I have never been known to grow big. If you want evidence to support this, find me on Friday.

Point 2-Last weekend, I had the best Homecoming in my time here. This is probably because I actually knew some of the alumni who came back. I am the only person from the old crew who is still here and has an apartment,

so my roommate and I were graced with the presence of these people. This is not a bad thing because they made sure that I partied all weekend. Also, this is the first time that I actually saw the Homecoming parade. This would not have been the case if I did not live on Main Street.

Point 3-I live above Papa V's. Some day they will deliver to me. "Where are you at?" "We are at 14 North Main Street."

"That's our address!" "I know."

Point 3-Why doesn't the university do construction during times when student are not generally on campus? I have a class in North Hall and on Wednesday I had an incredibly hard time actually getting into the building. I realize that concrete needs to be poured on a day that is not too hot or rainy, but how are we supposed to get into our vault of

learning when our shoes could get stuck in the sidewalk two feet away from the library?

Point 4-I smoke. Get over it. Point 5-I need a nap. We all need naps. This is going nowhere...

Point 6-There is NO point number six. (Sorry, blatant Monty Python reference)

Point 7-You can see some whacked out sh\*t in Mansfield, PA. This is according to a person who lost his car once and set it on fire twice. Despite this, there are examples to back this up. This point may eventually evolve (oh, wait, I can't use that word because evolution never happened; whatever...) into a separate column, but let us consider the placement of the benches in this town.

This is the only town that I know of that has benches facing away from the street. You can sit on a bench downtown, sit in front of Edgewood, and read "Aunt." (As in Restaurant.) Also,

in front of Memorial Hall, there is a bench in the middle of a lawn with no sidewalk any where near it. I have heard from former maintenance person that it's very hard to mow around the silly thing.

Point 9- I am not a math major.

Point 8-Never throw a stuffed teddy bear or an old issue of the yearbook (*Carontawan*) or an axe at an old record player. As of press time, we realized this was a bad idea when we attempted to listen to an REM album which happened to be on vinyl. (Too bad if you don't know what a 33 1/3 album is.) If you attempt this course of action, chances are that the needle will go the way of the dodo bird and the Art Haus.

Point 10-True story: we recently got a package of film addressed to the "Flash Lights Office".

I hope you enjoyed these little observations about this little campus and community. If you have any more observations, please let me know.

### How to beat on your friends with a foam sword

by Ian Kaiser  
editor in limbo

Since it is getting very cold out, and winter appears to be approaching faster than a sparrow on amphetamines, I think it is a good time to tell you what I did this summer. For most of the time, I was here in Mansfield working at my usual job of building computers for Kingdom Company. Not that this is not an interesting and wonderful thing to spend your summer doing, but I decided to leave for a while in the end of July and help some friends of mine with their summer camp for a month.

The two guys I spent the end of my summer working with are named Howard Moody and Brian Allison. Howard is an ex-wrestling coach now turned teacher of play. Most people around here do not realize that playing

is really something you can learn (well, actually remember would be more accurate, in the case of most adults). Howard knows more serious, silly, bizarre, funny, and interesting games than anyone I know. Brian is one of the most intelligent people I know, and can recite more poetry, philosophy, quotes, and Monty Python than anyone I know. What is more, his build can be likened to that of a redwood. He is a champion natural body builder and teaches exercise and aerobics. Watching a man with thighs bigger than your chest recite Robert Frost is something that will challenge anyone's stereotypes.

You may be wondering what type of camp two guys like Howard and Brian could be running. It is called *The Adventure Game Theater*, and it is nothing like anything I have ever experienced. The basic premise of the game is built loosely around such role-playing

systems as *Dungeons & Dragons*, in that players (usually kids 11 - 17 years old) choose to be fighters, wizards, healers, and/or thieves. This is where the similarity stops. Howard and Brian's brainchild, TAGT was designed to be a theatrical experience, and a way of teaching playfulness to anyone who wants to try. For example, a player will decide who their character is and what he or she will do in any given situation. The only element of standard role-playing is that each player rolls dice to determine their level. This level will then be the sole basis for determining how they react to whatever happens in the course of the game. Much emphasis is put on acting out characters, playing fairly, and dying well. Unlike most role-playing games, TAGT is not played by a bunch of people huddled around a table, shuffling papers and rolling dice. Players put on costumes, wield foam swords, carry bags of spells, and go out on adventures. It tends to be more strenuous exercise than anything I do during the year.

The stories are usually written mostly by Brian and Howard, along with friends and helpers. I actually did a significant amount of story creation during my stint with TAGT this summer. Usually the kids attending the camp are the "playing characters" and have some type

of quests placed before them structured by the storyline. The adults and more experienced players usually fill the more acting intensive story characters, who are there chiefly to interact with the players and to keep the story moving. There is usually an "evil" side and a "good" side, though depending on the story, they might not be so distinctly divided. The players are usually trying to vanquish the "evil" side.

One fascinating element of the game is death. When a player (or a story character) is vanquished in combat, they must go to visit the god of Re. Depending on who is playing this part, many different things may happen in the "Re zone". The final outcome is usually that you are given a new character as Re sees fit, and go back to the game. This is often a very powerful experience, and Re is one of the most important elements of the game.

TAGT is a magical experience, and I am very glad I am involved in it. It was the creative outlet that kept me sane this summer. More may follow on this subject, as it is something I love very much, and space is sadly limited. If you would like more information on the system, the rules, or how to contact the creators, send me a message at the *Flashlight* or e-mail me (kaiserl@mnsfld.edu).

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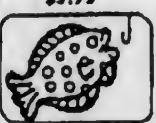
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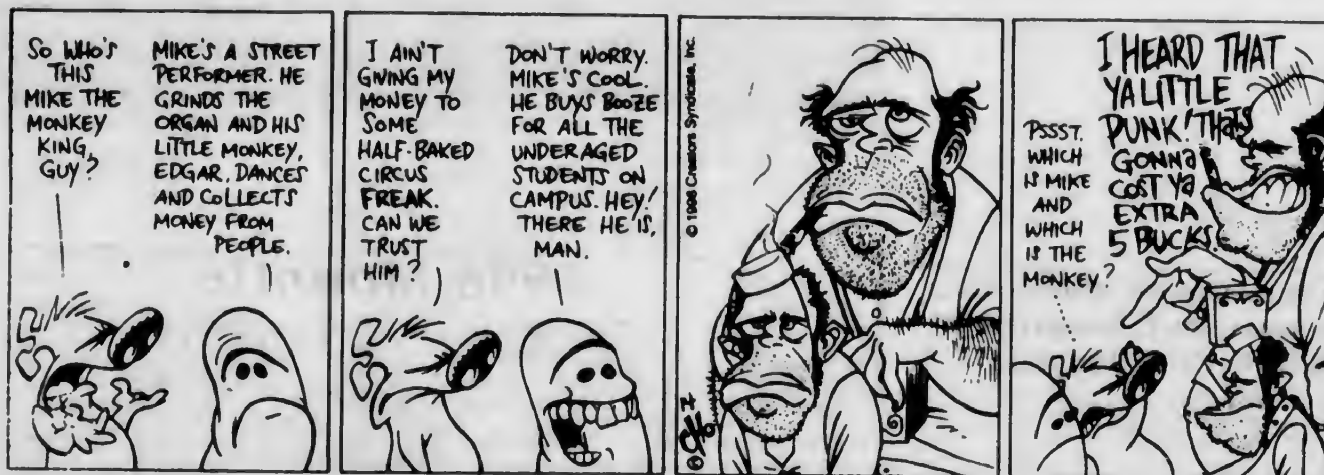


**McGann's group wins Griffiths Pro-Am**



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by Frank Cho





# SPORTS

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## Marauders mangle the Mountaineers

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team dropped a tough loss 63-7 Saturday, October 5 to the defending Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference-East Co-champions Millersville University.

After a missed field goal by the Marauders early in the first quarter, Mansfield drew first blood on an 11-yard run and extra point, but it was all downhill from there as the Marauders would go on to score 63 consecutive points.

"We played well in the first quarter against Millersville before losing our composure," said second year head Mountie football coach Joe Viadella. "We can't let that happen again if we hope to do well against Bloomsburg."

Millersville took their first drive of the game 10 plays to the Mansfield 25 yard line before kicker Brandon Lynch attempted a 42-yard field goal that was no good.

Mansfield (2-3) struck right back carrying the ball seven plays. Junior running back Jason Donadi's 11-yard run and junior kicker Jason Johnston's extra point gave the Mounties their only score of the game, leading the Marauders 7-0.

Millersville would counterattack with a touchdown of their own on a

FOOTBALL	
MOUNTIES	7
MILLERSVILLE	63

one yard run by Greg Moylan tying the game up at the end of the first quarter at seven a piece. After that it was all Millersville as they went on to score the next 56 points of the game.

Mansfield's best attempt of the game came just at the end of the second quarter driving the ball 13 plays down to the Millersville 17-yard line.

Mountie first year quarterback Mike Keatings sack on 3-13 shut down the Mounties hopes of scoring as they took a 28-7 deficit into the locker room at the half.

Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith who has put up impressive numbers so far this season sat out against Millersville due to shoulder injuries sustained in the Lock Haven game.

According to Smith, he will not play in this weekend's game against Bloomsburg and is questionable for the Kutztown game in two weeks, played at home.

Keating completed just four of 13 passes for 13 yards and was sacked five times in the game. Punter Matt Hanley had nine punts for 355 yards with a long punt of 52-yards.

Donadi continued putting up his impressive numbers despite the out-



Photo by Thad Woodward

Outside linebacker Matt Guzevich had eight tackles and a quarterback sack in the Mounties loss to Millersville.

come rushing for 107-yards on 25 carries.

This game marks the fifth consecutive game he has surpassed the 100-

yard mark in rushing. His 111.2 yards per game average ranks fourth in the PSAC.

Juniors Jeremiah Van Orden and J.J. Cleaver each led the team with nine tackles. Outside linebacker Matt Guzevich chipped in for eight tackles including one for a 1-yard loss. He also sacked Millersville's quarterback for a six yard loss.

Senior defensive end Joel Kargbo had six tackles and sacked Millersville's quarterback for a 14 yards loss.

This weekend the Mounties take on the other defending PSAC-East Co-champion Bloomsburg University. Bloomsburg is currently 4-1 on the season.

Game time is slated for 1:30 at 'Robert B. Redman' field in Bloomsburg.

## Mounties to face tough Bloomsburg Huskies

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team travel this Saturday to Bloomsburg University to face the Huskies on their home turf.

Last week, the Mountaineers suffered a loss at the hands of Millersville in Mansfield's Homecoming. The Marauders squelched the Mounties by a score of 63-7. The only positive thing that came out of last week's game was a sturdy performance by Jason Donadi.

The junior tailback amassed 107 total rushing yards last week on 25 carries. This marks the fifth consecutive week that Donadi has reached the 100 yard lucky number. Donadi's average of 111 yards per game is fourth in the PSAC. If this trend continues, Donadi could become Mansfield's first 1000 yard rusher.

Donadi had to carry much of last week's work load. Freshman starting quarterback, Lucas Smith, injured his shoulder in last week's game against Lock Haven. The Mounties were ineffective through the air against Millersville.

Junior back-up quarterback Mike Keating stepped in to fill Smith's shoes. He completed only four of 13 passes last week against Millersville. Smith is questionable for this week's game against Bloomsburg.

The Mounties will carry a 2-3 record into the Bloomsburg game. The

Huskies, last year's league co-champions, are 4-1 after soundly defeating Cheyney last week. Bloomsburg has only lost to top-ranked Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

The Huskies are ranked second in total offense and first in total rushing. Bloomsburg is also first in total defense. On average, they allowed 198 yards per game and only 13 points.

Bloomsburg's high powered offense will definitely be gunning for the Mountaineer's 13th ranked defense. The Mounties have given up an average of 60 points a game in each contest that they lost. However, in their two wins, Mansfield has limited their opponents to a total of three points.

The first half has proved to be very important for the Mountaineers. The Mounties' opponents have outscored them 118-23 in the combined first halves of each game they have played.

Bloomsburg could very well be one of the toughest team that Mansfield plays this year. If the Mountaineers pull out a win this Saturday at Robert Redman field, it could turn their season around.

"Bloomsburg may be the best team in the division and we need to play with a lot more intensity if we hope to stop them," said second year head football coach Joe Viadella. "We played well in the first quarter against Millersville before losing our composure. We can't let that happen if we hope to do well against Bloomsburg."

### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	114	47	.412	684	1	6	8
M. Keating	14	5	.357	16	0	0	5
Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
J. Donadi	16	106	0	J. Donadi	136	556	2
M. Hanley	2	50	0	D. Banyar	12	47	0
N. Davis	10	162	0	L. Smith	35	55	3
L. Brannon	1	2	0	L. Brannon	40	191	2
M. Brezovech	2	49	0	N. Davis	3	10	0
P. Herchik	7	161	0	Punting	No.	Yds.	Av.
B. Woodward	3	54	0	M. Hanley	33	1198	36.3
J. Povenski	6	61	0	Interceptions	No	Yds	TD
J. Nicholson	3	72	0	C. Morrison	1	9	0
C. Morrison	1	9	0	J. Ludwig	1	1	0
J. Ludwig	1	1	0	M. Hanley	1	8	0
M. Hanley	1	8	0	M. Williams	1	1	0
M. Williams	1	1	0	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD	L. Brennon	16	226	0
J. Williams	9	59	0	D. Banyar	3	67	0
J. Curto	1	5	0	J. Williams	6	82	0
Sacks: Joel Kargbo (2-20yds)				J. VanOrden	1	5	0
Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	3	0-0			4-6	4-5	20
J. Johnston							16
L. Brannon	2						12
J. Donadi	2						12

### 1996 Mountie Football Schedule

SEPTEMBER:

7 SUNY Cortland  
14 at Southern Connecticut State  
21 at Ithaca College  
28 at Lock Haven

OCTOBER:

5 Millersville  
12 at Bloomsburg  
19 Kutztown  
26 at West Chester University

NOVEMBER:  
2 East Stroudsburg University  
9 at Cheyney University  
16 Clarion University



# Runningback Donadi earns high honors with team

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

Last season, Donadi earned a starting spot after coming into a Mansfield University Mountaineer football game and rushing for 109 yards against Cortland. He posted three 100-yard games including a 197-yard effort to win over Cheyney. He finished second on the squad in receiving with 24 catches for 199 yards.

He stopped the team in scoring with 48 points while averaging 107.7 all purpose yards per game. Twice he had set the new school record for carries per game, including 42 against Cheyney. He was named Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference East and ECAC Division II Offensive Player of the Week for record-setting effort to win over Cheyney.

He rushed for 704 yards despite missing two games with injuries and was named to second team All-PSAC East honors.

The running back with all the



Photo by Thad Woodward

Junior runningback Jason Donadi has achieved over 100 rushing yards in five straight games for the Mounties.

history is Mansfield University's 5'8", 180lb junior Jason Donadi, and he's back this year to accomplish even more.

"My greatest moment was the first game when I was starting tail back. It really showed me what the team can do together," said Donadi.

This year, Donadi was the number one running back heading into camp. He ran 197 yards against Cheyney which marks the second highest game in MU history. Also this year, Donadi averages 132.40 all purpose yards per game and 111.2 rushing yards per game. Donadi has also scored 12 points since the beginning of this year's season.

In his career, Donadi has 187 carries for 704 yards, 24 catches for 199 yards, 15 kickoff returns for 231 yards, and eight touchdowns. This year, alone, Donadi has a chance of rushing 1,000 yards.

"Right now it's in the back of my mind. It would be great for my self-esteem, but right now some things are more important," said Donadi.

Donadi, a special education major, is the recipient of the first annual Louis Anthony Pompei Memorial Scholarship Award.

Pompei was a 1986 graduate of Mansfield University, and four year letter winner on the football team. His fellow teammates and friends have established a scholarship fund at MU to honor his memory. Given annually, it is given to a football player that best exemplifies the qualities of loyalty, sac-

rifice, dedication, and honor of Louie Pompei.

Unfortunately, Donadi injured cartilage in his knee during the season which effected some of his playing.

"My injury is gone now. I hurt it in the game against Southern Connecticut and I really felt the injury during the game against Ithaca, but after some therapy and work, it's fine now," said Donadi.

Going into this weekend's match against Bloomsburg, the Mansfield University Mountaineer's football record is 2-3.

"My hopes for the rest of the season is for our team to work together well on offense and defense. It's hard to win the rest of the games this season, but if we could work together, it's worth it," said Donadi.

In the past games that the football team has won, they have allowed only three points against them, but in the games that they lost, it is an average of 60 points per game.

"I feel that we are a better team than [what] we show. We're a lot better than what is seen on the field. The score doesn't show what we're capable of," said Donadi.

## Midnight Mountie Madness comes to Mansfield

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer men's and women's basketball teams will officially kick off the start of their practice season with Midnight Madness this Monday, October 14th at Decker Gymnasium.

"It's a great way for everyone to feel the same excitement as our players," said Tom Ackerman, head men's basketball coach.

This first annual event offers food, prizes and a chance to meet this seasons' Mountie basketball teams. Prizes will be awarded for the best costume and best cheering section. Book scholarships and a free pizza party for the best dorm attendance are just two of the events happening that evening.

"We're very excited about it,"

said second year head women's basketball coach Jennifer Lynch. "It's a great opportunity for the campus community to come and see our team. We're really psyched."

Other events include a slam dunk contest, halfcourt shots, and a scrimmage with guest coaches President Rod Kelchner and Mrs. Joan Kelchner.

"It's a perfect way to unwind and should help build the spirit of cooperation," said Ackerman.

Guest officials for the night are Provost Dr. Joe Moore and Assistant Director of Residence Life in Cedar Crest Joe Miller. Doors open at 10:30 p.m.

Ackerman also wanted to acknowledge Mike Lemasters the director of residence life and Vice-President of Student Affairs Joe Maresco for all their help in bringing this event to Mansfield.

## Chang advances in Open Tourny

SINGAPORE (AP) — Michael Chang started with an ace and won the first nine games Tuesday in a 6-0, 6-3 first-round victory Dutchman Dennis Van Scheppingen in the Singapore Open indoor tournament.

"It was a good start for me," said Chang, a 1996 U.S. Open finalist and the tournament's top seed.

There was thunderous applause from the some 1,000 spectators when Van Scheppingen, ranked 103rd on the ATP Tour, finally won the fourth game of the second set.

Most of the time, he struggled with unforced errors and Chang's passing shots.

Playing his first match in three weeks since the U.S. Open, Chang served nine aces in all, with speeds ranging up to 105 mph.

He next plays Nicolas Pereira of Venezuela, a 6-1, 7-6 (7-2) winner over Gustavo Kuerten of Brazil.

In another first-round match Tuesday, No. 3 seed Paul Haarhuis of the Netherlands found that honeymoon-

ing wasn't good for his tennis.

Haarhuis, expected at least to reach the semifinals, fell to unseeded Patrik Fredriksson of Sweden 6-3, 6-2.

"The loss is 100 percent to do with getting married," said Haarhuis. "I have not been able to practice as much as necessary."

Haarhuis, 29, has just ended a two-week honeymoon in France.

This was his first match since marrying longtime girlfriend Anya in Amsterdam on Sept. 12, and the first since he reached the finals of the U.S. Open doubles three weeks ago. He is ranked No. 26 on the ATP Tour.

Fredriksson, ranked 137th, lost in qualifying for this tournament but then was brought in to replace American Jared Palmer, who withdrew with a shoulder injury.

He broke Haarhuis in the second game of the first set and twice more in the second.

Haarhuis said his 20-year-old opponent played with a "nothing-to-lose" attitude.

## MU field hockey continues to improve their season

by Jackie Williams  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University Mountaineer field hockey team has steamrolled their first two games of the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference schedule to improve their record to 5-2 for the season.

The Homecoming game against Slippery Rock University was a struggle the whole way, but Mansfield managed to pull out a 1-0 win. With 20:25 left to play in the second half, Shanna Vitale found fellow freshman Amory Fetko open. Fetko's shot found the back of the box to give the Mounties a lead that the "Rock" couldn't overcome.

Goalies Robin Adams and Missy Ehrlicher didn't face many shots in the game, but they combined for four saves.

Earlier this week, junior Ali-

"This is the biggest win for me. Because I found out so late that I was playing, I couldn't think about the match so I was relaxed," said Fredriksson, who meets Russian Andre Olhovskiy in the second round.

In other matches, German

cia Shirato was solid. Schirato scored two goals, including the winning shot, to lead the Mounties in a 3-1 win over Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

The first goal at the 20:43 mark of the first half came as freshman Alissa Gates fed Shirato as she broke away from the rest of the field.

Michelle Peak, of IUP, was the next to score with about 25 minutes to go in the game. But Shirato answered again just under a minute later to make the score 2-1.

Vitale crushed any hope IUP might have had when she scored off an assist by Liz Bricker with 17 minutes left to play.

The Mounties are in action again in a road game on Saturday, October 12 at 1 p.m. against Millersville University.

### Field Hockey Update:

Mansfield lost in a 4-0 decision against a tough Lock Haven squad on Wednesday October 9. The Mounties are now 5-3 for the season.

qualifier Martin Sinner ousted Kenneth Carlsen of Denmark 7-5, 6-3 in 67 minutes.

Britain's Greg

Rusedski beat Australian Todd Woodbridge 6-3, 6-1, and another Australian, Mark Woodforde, beat American Vincent Spadea 7-5, 6-7.

## Adams named Player of Week

special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University Mountaineer field hockey player Robin Adams was named the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Player of the Week for her outstanding performance over the week ending 10/5.

Adams (Factoryville/Lackawana Trail), a senior goalie, led the Mountaineers to a 2-0 week with a 3-1 win over IUP and a 1-0 shutout over Slippery Rock.

Adams recorded a total of

nine saves over the week as the Mountaineers improved their record to 5-2 on the season.

In seven games this year for the Mountaineers, Adams has allowed just six total goals, for a goals against average of 0.93.

Adams is a broadcast major at Mansfield University.

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# Little boys, baseball, fitness and spit

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

Well, this week, we at Super Sportsbrains inc. got a late start on our bi-weekly conversational-column-thing. We sat down at dead-line Thursday night, during the Yankees game, and put together our most interesting conversation yet. We did, however, have to make do without Mark "Chops" Robinson since he had an important prior engagement.

In order to rectify Chop's inexcusable absence, I have to introduce two new Super Sports-brains to our question and answer format: Robert "The Fabulous Sports-Bob" Abrams (in drag of course), and Tom "Thumbs up" Lawrence. (To this time, no one has been able to figure what Tom's thumb has been up.) These two will be joining Chris "Pocket-Protector" Lantz and I, Joe "Honus" Wagner in discussing the pressing issues of sport.

Fabulous Sports-Bob (in drag): "Why! Why! Why me!"

Pocket-Protector: "That's his Nancy Kerrigan impersonation."

Tom Thumbs up: "No, that is all of the sports commentators quote for Roberto Alomar."

Pocket-Protector: "I think that you did a better Nancy Kerrigan impersonation than she did."

Fabulous Sports-Bob: "The kid (Jeff Maier of New Jersey) catching that ball in the Yankee's game is the biggest outcry since the Nancy Kerrigan thing."

Thumbs-up: "At least Tonya Harding deserved the criticism. That little kid is my hero."

Pocket-Protector: "Yeah but I think that Roberto is a pretty classy guy. I saw Greg 'The Hammer' Valentine spit on 'Dangerous' Danny Davis's face once... Professional wrestling is real you know."

Thumbs-up: "Yeah, Roberto is so classy that I expected him to spit in that little kid's face."

Pocket-Protector: "I don't think that the outfielder would have caught the ball anyway. It would have been a double

either way."

Thumbs-up: "The only way we'll ever know for sure is when we see the made for TV movie."

Honus: "Anyway, what do you guys think of Joe Morgan as a sports commentator?"

Pocket-Protector: "Joe Namath makes Joe Morgan look good."

Fabulous Sports-Bob: "I have never seen anybody cry so much about the Yankees except for Joe Morgan. He is the biggest whiner and complainer about anything."

Pocket-Protector: "I like Tim McCarver better than him."

Honus: "Oh, McCarver is a chop!"

Pocket-Protector: "He's better than Joe Morgan."

Honus: "You know who is worse than Joe Morgan? Dan Dierdorf is worse than Joe Morgan!"

Fabulous Sports-Bob and Pocket Protector together: "I like Dan Dierdorf!!!"

Thumbs-up: "My dream line-up of sports commentators would be: Joe Namath as the color-commentator and 'Magic' Johnson as the straight-man..."

Fabulous Sports-Bob: "My dream team line-up would have to be Howard Cosell, a young John Madden and Matt Millen."

Thumbs-up: "...as long as you don't let Joe and 'Magic' talk."

Pocket-Protector: "My favorite would be Mel Allen. But do you know who the absolute worst is though? Harry Carey!"

Honus: "He's old and he's senile! He can't help it."

Pocket-Protector: "Not only that, but he is drunk."

Thumbs-up: "He'd review Roberto Alomar spitting in the umpire's face in slow motion and be like: Holy Cow."

Fabulous Sports-Bob: "Harry Carey? Isn't that what the Japanese did in World War II?"

Thumbs-up: "He is my hero! Anybody who has the balls to sit up there in the seventh inning with a bottle of Jack Daniels and sing in front of thousands of people..."

Pocket-Protector: That is alleged. Put that on the record!"

Fabulous Sports-Bob: "That was pretty impressive. Not only was he drinking, he was singing at the same time!"

Thumbs-up: "And you can almost hear the words."

Honus: "So tell me Chris. Why is Cal

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Ripkin a lousy short-stop?"

Pocket-Protector: "He has got to back-hand everything. He doesn't have any range!"

Thumbs-up: "Yeah, that's right. He's a real flash in the pan."

Pocket-Protector: "He'll never make the Hall of Fame!"

Fabulous Sports-Bob: "Yeah. He's lousy. He only hit what... about .467 in the Series."

Thumbs-up: "He's a one decade wonder."

Honus: "Okay. Here is a question for you guys. Remember the Miss Fitness America Pageant shown on ESPN2? Is

that really a sport?"

Pocket-Protector: "It is a sport and they are cool!"

Honus: "Don't you find that it is just entertainment?"

Pocket-Protector: "It is a sport man! Anybody who who can do a one-arm push-up and dance around like that has got to be cool."

Fabulous Sports-Bob: "Well... It is kind of like gymnastics."

Thumbs-up: "They are really going to have to narrow the sport down like gymnastics..."

Pocket-Protector: "...Like narrow it down between blondes and brunettes."

## Jordan talks about his career

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Michael Jordan says that if it wasn't for his mother, he might not have pursued a basketball career.

Jordan said he was ready to quit the game when he was cut from the freshman team at his Wilmington high school. But his mother told him not to be embarrassed and not to be afraid to try.

He made the high school varsity team his junior year, and the rest is history.

Deloris Jordan joined her son Tuesday at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, when he announced that he was donating \$1 million for the Jordan Institute for Families at the School of Social Work.

"I feel very privileged to be able to help the University of North Carolina which helped me develop as a person and

in my career," Jordan, who has led the Chicago Bulls to four NBA titles, said at the ribbon cutting ceremony.

The institute will bring together social service professionals and scholars to find solutions to problems facing families, ranging from inadequate day care and elder care to teen-age pregnancy and domestic violence, according to a statement issued by the school.

"Michael Jordan's generous gift and Deloris Jordan's continuing work on behalf of our School of Social Work will be felt by families statewide," Chancellor Michael Hooker said.

Deloris Jordan, now of Charlotte, has been active on the advisory board for the School of Social Work. She recently wrote a book on parenting, "Family First."

### Flashlight Athlete of the Week

**Robin Adams**



Robin Adams has been named Flashlight Athlete of the Week. Besides being named Player of the Week, Adams has been solid in the net.

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# The Badlees entertain Mansfield over weekend

*Locally based rock band grooves and rocks town with distinctive sound*

by Chris McGann  
Matthew Gallo  
staff reporters

Mansfield University hosted two alumni and their nationally successful band at Decker Gym.

The Badlees brought their River Songs tour to MU in front of almost 600 fans on Saturday, Oct 5.

"I think the show went well," James Moyer, Mansfield Activities Council Concert Chair, said. "I want to thank everyone who came out."

The alumni band members found it ironic to be performing at their old college.

"We came back to work here," said Badlees drummer Ron Simasek. Simasek and guitarist and backing vocalist Jeff Feltenberger both graduated from MU.

The band played their hit tunes Angeline is Coming Home and Fear of Falling as well as some lesser known songs from their earlier albums. Their latest album, River Songs, is the Badlees fourth album and has gained them national attention with three charting



photo by Brent McCallus

Folk singer Patty Griffin opened up for the Badlees on October 5th and entertained an estimated crowd of nearly six hundred people.



photo by Brent McCallus

The Badlees (above, left to right) Pete Pallidino-vocals, Bret Alexander-lead guitar, Ron Simasek-drums, Jeff Feltenberger-guitar, and Paul Smith- bass.

singles.

This was the Badlees second performance on the Mansfield campus. Feltenberger said that the attendance at this show was larger than their first concert at MU which was held at the Hut.

Feltenberger and Simasek first met at Mansfield where they were both music majors. They played several venues at the university and also several fraternity houses.

After graduation, they decided to make an album. Bret Alexander, lead singer, was the engineer during the recording. He soon joined the band. Pete Palladino and Paul Smith, guitar and bass, joined soon after.

Prior to receiving recognition for their hit songs, Angeline and Falling, the Badlees have been playing small venues in bars and clubs, all across Pennsylvania.

They have recorded four albums. It Ain't For You was released as an extended play (EP) with only a few songs on it. They have also released the long play (LP) albums Diamonds in the Coal, The Unfortunate Result of Spare Time, and River Songs. River Songs represents the Badlees first major label release.

The band has been touring in support of the River Songs album for the better part of two years, and will be wrapping up the tour in about one month. The band plans to take some

time off before heading back into the studio to begin work on their next album.

Feltenberger said that the tour has been interesting and while the band has gotten to play some larger venues, they still prefer the smaller ones. The whole band concurred stating that they would rather play for a small bunch of people who really wanted to see them play than a larger audience who was mainly there for the hits.

At the show the crowd was very receptive to the hits, as one might expect, but also seemed to really enjoy the lesser known material that was presented. One of the true highlights of the night was during the encore when they played a wondrous version of The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down. A classic from The Band, whom Alexander listed as a major influence.

Opening for the Badlees was folk singer Paty Griffin. Performing alone and accompanying herself on acoustic guitar Griffin was very well received. Her songs were stark and at times understated and offset the Badlees style very well. She had a flair for dynamics that is rarely seen in a one person show.

The band hails from a local area. Some of the members are from the Harrisburg area while another member is from the Hazleton area which has had a profound effect on their image. Hazleton is in the coal regions of Pennsylvania and this effect is shown by the

cover of the album *Diamonds in the Coal* which depicts a coal miner in full gear standing in the middle of a strip mine. The title of the album is another example of this effect.

The band was in peak style the night they played here at Mansfield University. They played a number of covers which were well received by the audience. Besides *The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down* they played a song called *Copperhead Road* which was characterized by a slow and fluid progression towards a climax.

Playing large venues is something that the band will have to get used to because they played their last touring club show on September 21 in Palo Alto, Pennsylvania. The band has not given up the smaller venues though. They played a club called the Crowbar the night before they played here at Mansfield University.

The band is looking forward to their future as musicians because they have been together for seven years and have worked extremely hard to get to the point that they are at now.

They will be releasing a new album sometime next year and will most likely begin touring again. However, we do not have to wait so long because they will surely be playing the area for most of their career.

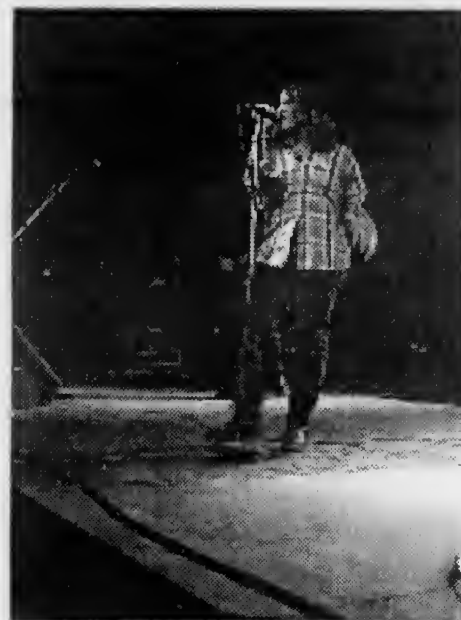


photo by Brent McCallus

Lead singer Pete Pallidino entertaining a Mansfield crowd during Saturdays concert.

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### Friday, October 11

1-4pm Free pool at the Rec Desk in Memorial Hall.  
Science Careers Day in North Dining Hall.  
10pm Zanzibar at The Hut.

### Saturday, October 12

Washington, DC Trip (tentative). Bus leaves Laurel at 6am. \$5 to MU students, \$10 to all others.  
Football away at Bloomsburg.  
Cross Country away at Baptist Bible College.  
9am-5pm Marching Band in Steadman theatre.

Fine Arts Series presents Borealis Woodwing Quartet.

2pm Baseball away at Lemoyne College.  
1pm Field Hockey away at Millersville.

### Sunday, October 13

3pm Konrad Ownes Faculty Clarinet Recital in Steadman theatre.

### Monday, October 14

Mid Semester grades due  
5pm Flashlight meeting 217 Memorial Hall  
9pm Student Government meeting

### Wednesday, October 16

Fall Holiday begins at 10pm  
Go home or anywhere else but here, and enjoy yourself.

### Monday, October 21

Classes resume at 8pm  
5pm Flashlight meeting  
5pm MUDD meeting, Straughn  
9pm SGA meeting

### Tuesday, October 22

1pm Ebony discussion hour in MLK Center  
7pm TV club meeting Allen Hall  
10am-3pm Step Aerobics registration

in Manser lobby

### Wednesday, October 23

7-11pm Pool tournament in Memorial hall entry fee \$1  
9pm MAC coffeeshouse at The HUT

### Thursday, October 24

1pm MLK center International discussion hour  
3pm Field Hockey at home vs East Stroudsburg  
6pm Flashlight gets laid out, editors get laid out.  
9pm Everything will be ok, really McGann, trust me.



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## Former CCSI comptroller, Fred Green, arrested

by Chris McGann  
editor

A former College Community Services Inc. employee was arrested on Oct. 8 on charges of allegedly stealing approximately \$125 thousand of student organization funds.

Former CCSI comptroller, Frederick A. Green of Mansfield, turned himself into the District Magistrate's office in Mansfield. Green was arrested by Mansfield University campus police officer, R. Howard Kramer according to Director of Security, K.P. Collier.

According to District Magistrate Daniel Signor, Green has waived his preliminary hearing which means that he will not be contesting the evidence against him.

According to Signor, Green will be arraigned on Nov. 8 at 8:30 a.m. in common pleas court in Wellsboro. The case will be heard by Judge Robert E. Dalton Jr and the case will be prosecuted by District Attorney John Cowley.

Green is currently free on \$12,500 bail and according to the Elmira Star Gazette, Green's lawyer, William A. Hebe, said that Green will plead innocent.

"An irregularity in a purchase triggered an investigation," said MU President Rod Kelchner. "At first I was surprised. He was a trusted employee. After I was over the shock, I was disappointed."

Green was an employee of CCSI, the separate entity from the university which handles the money received from student organizations, for 23 years.

According to Mansfield Public Relations director, Scott Miller, the board of CCSI fired Green after the initial audit. This audit was conducted by the firm of Cusik and Senck out of Scranton.

After this audit, the State System of Higher Education sent auditors to look at the books. Finally, CCSI had to call in the firm of Deloitte and Touch in Philadelphia to audit the books.



Photo by Megan Salade

Former CCSI comptroller, Fred Green was arrested on Oct. 8 on charges of stealing almost \$126,000.

The audits covered CCSI accounts from 1990 up to 1995 and all but one of the counts that have been filed against Green were recorded in this investigation.

He is also accused of removing an IBM computer from the CCSI

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## Alcohol and other drugs education week held at Mansfield



Photo by Brent McCallus

Campus police officer, Paul Delosa, demonstrates the new breathalyzer during Drug and Alcohol and Other Drug Awareness Week.

## New Rec Center concrete lower quality than ordered

Thomas A. Jones  
Staff Reporter

The low quality of cement that is being used to build the new Recreation Center may affect future additions, but the building will be safe.

It was reported in the last issue of the Flashlight that Student Affairs had informed SGA of an error in the building of the new Student Recreational Center.

A lower quality of cement than what Mansfield University bargained for was used in the foundation of the building. According to recreation director

Hugh Schintzius, the Rec Center will be safe when it is completed. The building will not be able to support a second floor addition if anyone decides that the building needs it however.

"If there was unsafe concrete, I wouldn't be prepared to place any students at risk in the new building," Schintzius said. "I have heard rumors that the building wasn't safe, that students were concerned its not safe. It's safe."

Schintzius said that the confusion occurred because of the massive numbers of trucks required to transport different levels of concrete.

"Some areas required concrete able to withstand 3000 pounds per square inch, while others required only 1200 or 1400 lbs per square inch. We ordered concrete able to withstand 3500 lbs per square inch," said Schintzius.

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by Kari Reagan  
staff reporter

Alcohol and Other Drugs Education Week was held at Mansfield University last week.

Throughout the week, many activities and seminars were held to educate students about the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse.

Bobby Petrocelli, the keynote speaker for the week, told his story of personal triumph regarding the loss of his wife due to a drunk driver on Wednesday in Allen Lecture Hall.

On Monday, October 21 in Pinecrest Manor, K.P. Collier, director of campus safety, gave demonstrations about the new breath testing device for students. Volunteers were given alco-

holic beverages to drink and then they had different sobriety tests performed on them.

Also that same evening in Cedarcrest, Sgt. John Toner, of the Mansfield State Police Barracks, talked about the Zero Tolerance Law and what it means underage drinkers. This law says that a minors are considered to be intoxicated if they have had any alcohol.

On Wednesday, the campus station on channel 10 aired a debate starting which debated topics such as college student responsibility, social norms the relevance of the legal drinking age.

Also on Wednesday in the Maple conference room, Dr. Helen Bibleheimer from the nursing department talked about the use of tobacco and

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## MU employee also internationally known athlete in the Triathlon

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

Barb Morgan, secretary for the Student Activities Office, never thought that when she reached the age of 52, she would be an internationally known athlete.

Morgan, a running enthusiast, recently gained number one ranking in her age group at the USA Triathlon National Duathlon Championship in Marlborough, Mass on July 7. Morgan, a member of Team USA, competed in the 50-54 age class in the triathlon run which consisted of a 5K run, 30K bike, and 5K run which she completed in 1 hour, 44 minutes and 42 seconds.

Morgan then won the silver medal in her age group when she competed in the town of Ferrara, Italy at the International Triathlon Union Duathlon

World Championships last month. She posted a time of 2 hours, 9 minutes and 1 second.

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Photo by Brent McCallus

Triathlete Barb Morgan.

### Correction:

The caption in the last issue under the Homecoming picture incorrectly identified last year's Homecoming Queen. The name should have been Erica Johnson.



# Campus Voices

by Katie Long

"What was the most exciting thing you did over fall break?"



**Talisia Jones**  
Freshman  
"I bought furniture."



**Blake Holmes**  
Freshman  
"Probably played in the football game."



**Sarah Irwin**  
Freshman  
"Absolutely nothing."



**Ty Kent**  
Freshman  
"Looked for a job."

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office and of not returning it after being fired.

Green allegedly went into hiding soon after he was fired in October of 1995 and according to the criminal complaint, he allegedly stole \$125,979.12.

Green is currently charged with 129 counts for which he could get up to 682 years in prison. Signor said that if Green is convicted, he probably will not get the maximum sentence.

According to the police report, Green has been charged with 50 counts of theft by failure to make required dispositions of funds received, 13 counts of theft by deception, one count of theft by

unlawful taking (referring to the IBM computer), 64 counts of receiving stolen property, and one count of forgery.

The criminal complaint alleges that much of the money went to pay Green's credit card bills. Other payments were traced to repairs on his house, a laptop computer, and life insurance payments for his daughter.

Miller said that CCSI has not yet decided whether or not to seek restitution.

"This is a touchy area," Miller said. "It is a personal matter and it hasn't gone to court."

Miller added that CCSI does not want to pursue anything unless Green is convicted.

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other newer trends.

Thursday, October 24th, William Chabala of MU's Counseling Center Director, discussed how you can help someone who has been abusing alcohol and how you may be making things worse by pursuing them to keep drinking or by not getting help for them.

The same evening in Zanzibar, BACCHUS/GAMMA and Junior. Panhel brought an MU version of MTV's Singled Out to campus.

Ms. Amy Barrett, a Drug & Alcohol Education Intern, also spoke on Thursday in North Dining Hall at 12:30

about the rights and responsibilities of women and men with regard to sex.

Starting the week's activities was a week long pool tournament hosted by the Student Union. The tournament which began on Monday, October 22nd and will end today in a final tournament gave away cash prizes and t-shirts among other prizes to nightly winners.

Ending the week's activities will be a mocktail party at Zanzibar on Saturday night hosted by the Laurel Hall Resident Assistants and by the All Residence Hall Council. This event will last from 10pm-2am and will feature dancing and sampling of non-alcoholic drinks

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All concrete was to be 3500, but some of the initial concrete was not.

"We took core samples, measuring 3 inches by 12 inches, and they met the requirements of the areas they were placed in," Schintzius said. "The bottom line is I wouldn't work in, and the administration wouldn't authorize, a building that was dangerous."

He also said that the contractors do not think the building will be unsafe.

"One of the best General contractors wouldn't risk the reputation of the company on a gamble," he said.

According to Reynold's Construction, "The building was never designed for 2 stories. Regardless of the level of concrete, the roof wasn't meant to have a 2nd floor."

President Kelchner also responded to these rumors.

"As far as I know, there's no problem. The building is perfectly sound, perfectly safe, and perfectly solid," Kelchner said.

According to Director of Residence Life Michael Lemasters when the potential problem was brought to student affair's attention, it was taken care of right away.

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Morgan focused her thoughts on her running during the competition in Italy but occasionally had a hard time believing she was actually there.

"I had to remind myself, 'Hey, I'm in Italy,'" Morgan said. "It looked just like home; it was awesome. We ran along cobblestone streets with people hanging out their windows, waving flags."

While Morgan has been running for many years, she still has trouble believing she's actually still doing it at her age.

"I never thought I'd ever do any of this," Morgan said. "I always thought I'd be old at 52 sitting around baking cookies."

Morgan started running 15 years ago when she decided to take the trip out her driveway without a car.

"I put terry cloth shorts on my big butt, ran a half-mile down my driveway, then hyperventilated," Morgan said. "That was the beginning."

Since the beginning of her athletic career, Morgan has taken part in running competitions, triathlons, biathlons and duathlons and has traveled all around the world.

"You're not going to find your challenge if you don't leave home,"

Morgan said.

Morgan is currently a member of Team USA which is the sanctioning body for triathlons and duathlons. This is a position that Morgan did not get the easy way.

"To get a national ranking, all the best go to nationals," Morgan said. "I knew I was already on the team but I wanted to be ranked number one or die trying."

Morgan knew that this was one of her greatest accomplishments when she was presented with the silver medal for her win.

"A general with the Italian army salutes you, puts the medal around your neck, then salutes again," Morgan said. "The medal is round and silver, nothing earth-shaking, but it's symbolic of the achievement."

Morgan said that she plans on topping this honor in the future with even greater accomplishments. Next she will be competing in Perth, Australia, and Gernika, Spain in 1997.

"We [Morgan and her husband Dick] are having more fun than we've ever had," Morgan said.

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# Broadcasting major cast in role as wolfman on TLC

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

A Mansfield University senior will be making his national television premiere next week in a Halloween special made for the Learning Channel.

Perry Costello of Hawley, Pa. will be featured as one of the lead actors in TLC's program "Wolfman: The Myth and the Science" which will premiere in the United States at 10 P.M., Halloween night.

Costello got involved in the project while doing an internship at Philadelphia based Grinning Dog Pictures, the company which produced the documentary for Discovery Global Networks who owns TLC.

Costello's involvement in the project began when the executive producer of the show, Warren Weidner, asked Costello one day if he would be interested in playing a werewolf in the documentary.

"I was in my office when Warren came in to get something and he told me that I look like a wolf," Costello said. "I didn't think he was serious when he asked me if I'd be in the show."

According to Weidner, Costello was the best choice they had out of the four possibilities for the role.

"He looked the most like a werewolf," Weidner said. "One of the criteria we had for the part was that the actor needed to have large eyebrows because that is one of the symptoms of lycanthropy (mythical werewolf disease) and Perry has large eyebrows."

According to Costello, even though his eyebrows are thick, he wasn't sure if he would get the part.

"They (Grinning Dog Pictures) asked me if I take direction well and I said that we would find out," Costello said. "They put their money on me and we all ended up raving about how much fun we had."

In the documentary Costello plays an accused werewolf named Gilles Garnier from 1573 Dole, France.

"This is all a true story," Costello said. "He was just a homeless person who suddenly became ill and went to a traditional healer which was probably a witch."

The witch supposedly gave him a hallucinogenic salve to rub on his arm which caused him to talk to spirits in a local forest and to believe he was a wolf. Locals later brought him in for questioning because they found a dead child in the forest he spoke to spirits in.

According to Weidner, the story is well known around France.

"Of the thirty thousand documented cases of lycanthropy at that time in France, Garnier's is the most notorious," Weidner said. "There may have been a number of reasons he was accused. He may have had an obscure misprint in the genetic code of life, but for whatever reason he was allegedly the Jeffrey Dahmer of France."

According to Costello, there is a lot of symbolism in the show.

"There's one part when they have me chained up in a dungeon and they're beating me and it looks like Christ on the cross," Costello said.



photo by Brent McCallus

Senior broadcasting major Perry Costello will star in a documentary on The Learning Channel to premiere next week in a Halloween special.

Costello said he had fun doing the project and that he would have no problem acting again in the future.

"I'd do it (act) in a heartbeat," Costello said. "Hopefully I could get paid next time though. They (Grinning Dog Pictures) had a joke that if they ever did 'Jesus Christ Superstar' or 'Godspell' they'd give me a call."

According to Costello, after he got the part of the Werewolf, a lot of jokes started to circulate around the office.

"There's a scene when I'm burned at the stake and the whole time everyone was yelling, 'Burn the intern! Burn the intern!'" Costello said.

Costello said that he enjoyed the whole experience and gained a lot

of knowledge even though at times he got physically beaten.

"It was a great learning experience," Costello said. "I did get punched for real in the taping of one of the scenes and my knees got cut and bruised but it was well worth it."

Weidner said that Perry's experience at Grinning Dog Pictures has not been forgotten.

"We tell all of our (new) interns that they better do a good job because we burned our last intern at the stake," Weidner said.

According to a press release from Grinning Dog Pictures, the program will have its world premiere in Europe on October 30, at 9 p.m. on Discovery Europe.

## Communication 101 students learn manners in Manser

by Chris McGann  
editor

Last evening, about 70 oral communications students got some out of class communication experience.

Dr. Sharon Carrish's Com 101 class dined at Manser Hall where they learned about proper conduct and etiquette in formal dining situations.

"I wanted to try some different things," said Carrish.

She wanted to expand the definition of communication dynamics. She to teach sections on talking to advisors during registration and informational

interviews.

Carrish said that the classes spent three days learning about etiquette and formal dining, and this is their chance to apply what they learned.

The topics that were covered in class included making proper introductions, making toasts, making formal dinner conversation, dealing with menus and waiters, and basic etiquette.

Carrish invited seven guests of honor to help at the diner. These guests included Thomas Elsser of the academic advising center, Cindy Thorpe of academic and human development, Director of Residence Life Michael Lemasters and his wife Karen, Assistant

Director of Residence Life Joe Miller, and Minority Mentor Denise Carter-Onyirimba.

Vice President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco wanted to attend, but he was too ill.

"I want to invite support staff instead of professors because students see faculty every day," Carrish said. She wanted to have students and support staff interact.

Students will be graded on the basis of proposal of a written toast, a quiz, and how well students figured out the bill.

"More important than the grade is that students get experience they need

now and the rest of their lives," Carrish said.

Carrish said that organizing this event took a lot of time. She had been working on it since this past summer. She wanted to thank Richard Anderson and Ilene Hiel of Manser Dining and the faculty, staff, and coaches for helping students schedule around conflicts with classes and practices caused by this event.

The dinner is paid for by meal plans and flex account.

"If this is successful, it may happen every semester," Carrish said. She also asks any faculty to call her if they want to be guests next semester.

## St. Joseph's professor speaks on religion in politics

by Thomas A. Jones  
Katie Long  
staff reporters

A lecture concerning the separation of church and state and the of religion in politics was held on October 22 in North Dining Hall at 3:30. Dr. Francis Graham Lee, professor of politics at St. Joseph's University presented "The Religious Right in American Politics, Right or Wrong?"

Dr. Lee prefaced his presentation by saying that "religious discussion is dangerous in mixed company".

"Talking about religion is something [that] anybody with common sense would not want to do," Lee said.

Lee then went on to divide the religion discussion into three distinct parts of which part one dealt with reli-

gion in American history.

"Religion and politics have been mixed since the beginning," Lee said. "It is a paradox; We have Church and State separation, yet no other nation comes close to our religious involvement."

According to Lee, religion greatly influenced the birth of our nation.

"Religion influenced the revolution, and led to the Bill of Rights and social Gospel groups in the 1800's led to reform of business and eventually to Prohibition in the 1900's," Lee said.

However, Lee said, absent from these influential groups of the 18th and 19th centuries were the "poor religions" which have a history of disenfranchisement.

Yet in the 20th century we have seen anti-war movements, and civil

rights movements with religious overtones, movements initiated by "poor religions".

Lee then spoke about the emergence of the religious right and how important issues are to the right.

"Education improvements...southern economic growth...two party competition in predominantly one party areas...and even Former President Jimmy Carter have all contributed (to the growth of the religious right)," Lee said. "(The issues) really motivated these people."

According to Lee, school prayer and abortion also had some influence, but alternate lifestyles, family values, homosexuals and pornography were the fault line that mobilized the right. Over the last four or five years, these issues have carried the Religious Right into the Republican party.

Lee then finished the lecture by predicting the future of religion in politics.

"The election of 1994 by no means guaranteed a Republican President, but it does represent some sort of change," Lee said. "1932 and 1964 were both turning points and 1996 will probably be one as well as we are about due."

According to Lee, while the religious right has done horrendous attacking issues, they are extremely efficient at defending the status quo.

"The Rainbow Coalition is a perfect example of religious right mobilization," Lee said. "When they are put on the defensive, they succeed, on the offensive, they lose."

Fundamentalists, Catholics, Evangelists and Mormons make up

see RELIGION, page 4



# Turkey lecture thrills enthusiastic wildlife audience

by Katie Long  
staff reporter

Pennsylvania Wildlife Biologist Arnold Hayden presented "The Wild Turkey of Pennsylvania" October 24th at 8 o'clock in 204 Memorial Hall and was sponsored by the Student Union.

Hayden began the lecture by explaining the history of the wild turkey in Pennsylvania. When settlers began clear-cutting the coniferous forest, the wild turkey started disappearing. The forests were eventually allowed to grow back, but they returned as hardwood forests instead of coniferous forests. The change in habitat rejuvenated the population which came back larger than before.

According to Hayden, only one wild turkey was allowed to be harvested per season in 1917, but in 1973, two wild turkeys were permitted to be shot per season. The large growth was accomplished through added food sources found in the clear-cut areas.

In the 1930's, turkeys were being raised in game farms to replenish the population. Turkeys were captured and transported across the state to increase their range of habitat. Eventually, the turkeys were found in every county except Delaware. Hayden stressed this point by saying that turkeys originally were only found in the southern area of Pennsylvania.

He also said that the turkeys were able to extend their range because of their ability to adapt quickly to new areas. According to Hayden, the wild turkeys would fully populate the new area within two or three years after being transported.

According to Hayden, the county with the best hunting of wild turkeys is Bucks county. He also said that the state with the highest population of wild turkeys is Texas. Pa has about 250,000 wild turkeys and around 50,000 are harvested per season.

The increase in turkey population also piqued the interest of hunters. Hayden said that the number of wild tur-

key hunters increased from 50,000 to 500,000.

Hayden then began discussing hunting laws techniques. He said that hunters should be careful because only bearded (male) turkeys were legal to hunt. If hunters were not careful, they could kill hen turkeys.

"Be careful of your target. You can effect the turkey population," said Hayden.

Hayden said that the best way to hunt turkeys was to watch the forest. When colts foot flowers come up, turkeys are in the peak of breeding season. Hunters can also tell where the turkeys will be by watching a turkey's favorite food sources in the forest.

"If you want to hunt wild turkeys, look in the woods. It will tell you where to hunt. Beech nuts are the number one food turkeys go to. It takes a lot of scouting sometimes, but that is what hunting is about," said Hayden.

He also had many techniques and hunting tips.

"Pick your place to hunt very carefully," said Hayden.

Hayden said that the area is very important. Hunters should pick an area that has about 25-30 yards of visibility, so the turkey does not see the hunter before it is in range.

"Be patient. Wait the turkey out. Don't hurry the process. The minute you hurry, the turkey is gone," said Hayden.

He also covered different types of turkey calls. Hayden said that some kinds of calls were box, slat, aluminum, mouth, and wing bone calls. There are many other kinds, but Hayden said that any call will do. According to Hayden, the best turkey call is a homemade one. It is cheap, and the hunter does not have to worry whether or not he loses it.

"You can have a lot of fun with turkey calls especially when you use your own stuff," said Hayden.

He also said that fancy calls are not necessary. Variations of simple calls are effective.

## Free concert tonight in Steadman

by Gene Yager  
news editor

The MU Jazz ensemble and the Mansfieldians will be presenting "An Evening of Jazz Favorites" tonight, October 25th at eight o'clock in Steadman Theatre.

The concert will include music by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, George Gershwin, and Duke Ellington, to name a few, said Peggy Dettwiler, MU music department professor and Mansfieldians director said.

"I think that the University community can relate to the music that we will be playing," Dettwiler said.

The concert, which is free to the public, is expected to draw large crowds because of the price, and because it coincides with the official grand opening of North Hall.

"We wish we could offer all of our concerts for free, but we can't because of our budget situation" Dettwiler said.

Dettwiler really wants to see students at the concert and hopes that students will turn out to see their peers in action.

"I think a lot of students like music produced with a rhythm section, it has a strong beat," Dettwiler said. "It is an early concert of the year and we would like to set a precedent of students coming up to Steadman to see the concerts."

Another major reason for the timing of the concert, according to Dettwiler, is the fact that the Mansfieldian Alumni group is going to be in Mansfield on Saturday to perform at the North Hall Grand Opening.

"We thought it would be nice for them to see the fall of '96 Mansfieldians" Dettwiler said.

## Student Government meeting held

by Tracy Gay  
staff reporter

On October 21, 1996 the Student Government Association held their weekly meeting in 204 Memorial Hall.

Senators were reminded that the North Hall Dedication is scheduled for this weekend. The dedication includes a formal ceremony in the mall at 2 pm on Saturday October 26 followed by formal tours of North Hall.

Also on Saturday night, a follow up program of former Mansfieldians will take place in Steadman followed again by more tours of North Hall.

SGA was informed that Student Calling Guides will be distributed soon. Faculty and Staff received their copies earlier this week.

"The reason calling guides were not distributed earlier in the semester is because of the number of new staff hired," Director of Residence Life Michael Lemasters said.

SGA voted to donate \$1000 to host a Holiday dinner for the local families who may not be so fortunate.

SGA passed another measure to buy \$100 of canned food to donate to the Lambda Chi Alpha food drive.

SGA meetings are held every Monday at 9 pm in 204 Memorial Hall.

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After the forum, Sophomore Dan Konfer said that Lee provided a good overview of politics in religion.

"It was just a survey of opinions individuals take in society," Konfer said. "He provided an overview of the religious right."

"Rather uncontroversial. Just a description."

The Forum Organizer, Dr. Dick Walker of the math department, thought it was well done.

"The speaker was congenial,

and he informed us without making us feel we were being lectured to," Walker said. "This idea that the religious right is more effective on defense is new and interesting."

Lee thought this was one of the best receptions he has experienced. This is his third speaking tour and he plans to return to Mansfield in the future.

The next lecture will be on November 12th and will feature Dr. Jane McGuire speaking about "Images of Old Women."

## Police Beat

10/10/96

1315: Harassment by communications, complaint recieved eight hang-up phone calls.

2040: Complainant advised intoxicated subject was viewed in Cedar Crest A 3rd floor area with a CO2 powered BB pistol. Subject by took the BB gun into room. Pistol was confiscated by Police. Subject released with his father.

10/12/96

1940: Responded to a Medical Emergency to assist complainant who was experiencing extreme abdominal pain. Patient was transported to Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital.

10/13/96

1420: Damage to vehicle parked in C-Lot. Windshield appears to have been hit by a round object, possibly a Baseball.

10/14/96

1425: Viewed the scene of an accident. Complainant's vehicle legally parked. Struck by unknown vehicle. Damage to left rear bumper and fender. Striking vehicle apparently left scene.

1640: Complainant advised unknown person(s) had broken ceiling tile on Cedar Crest A 4th floor.

10/15/96

1338: Revoked Decal.

10/16/96

1113: Excessive parking tick-

ets-Vehicle no longer allowed on campus.

1140: Revoked Decal.

1143: Revoked Decal.

1145: Excessive parking tickets-Vehicle no longer allowed on campus.

1259: Revoked Decal.

1008: Fall victim. Student fell flat on face on sidewalk outside Memorial. Transported to Guthrie Clinic in Maple, checked by staff there. Arms, legs, and nose bruised, no broken bones.

10/19/96

0740: Assisted Mansfield Police Department, domestic in progress.

10/21/96

0900: Harassment, complainant alleges he is being harassed by co-worker in the workplace.

1020: Theft of items from Butler Center.

10/22/96

1440: Subject reported lost/stolen bag on 10/15/96. Hand bag had been found by jogger on 10/12/96 and turned into this PD. Subject claimed bag on this date, nothing missing from the bag.

1800: Resident assistant reported marijuana smell coming from hallway room. Marijuana confiscated and student referred to residence life.

10/23/96

0840: Harassment, older male student making inappropriate comments to female students in and around Retan.

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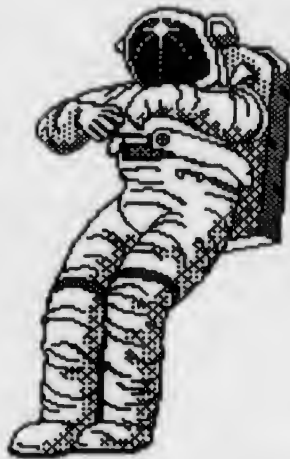
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# Campus Bulletin Board

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The next meeting for the Art History Association will be held on Tuesday, October 29 at 12:30 p.m. in Allen Hall, room 111.



WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT NORTH HALL'S "TRADITIONAL READING ROOM" WILL NOW BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON SUNDAYS FROM 1:30 - 4:30 P.M. SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY HAVE POINTED OUT THAT THE ROOM WOULD MAKE AN IDEAL PLACE FOR STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO MEET AND SPEND TIME WITH ONE ANOTHER. WE DO ASK, HOWEVER, THAT STUDENTS NOT USE THE ROOM AS A STUDY AREA OR GROUP MEETING PLACE.

A SURVEY IN THE NEAR FUTURE WILL HELP US TO DETERMINE ADDITIONAL WAYS OF IMPROVING THE USE AND AVAILABILITY OR RESOURCES AND SERVICES WE OFFER. IN THE MEANTIME, IF YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS, PLEASE PLACE THEM IN THE "SUGGESTION BOX" NEAR THE CIRCULATION DESK. E-MAIL ME (MMCADOO@MNSFLD.EDU), AND/OR STOP BY IN PERSON. MONTY L. MCADOO

**Latino Student Organization (LASO).** Come and learn about the fastest growing culture in the U.S. It is not necessary to be latino. You only need the desire to learn more about this fascinating culture. Meeting Day: Monday. Meeting Time: 4 p.m. Meeting Place: Belknap Seminar Room (113). For questions or info., contact Kristopher at x5709.

## FLASHLIGHT

If you are interested in Newspaper reporting, photography, advertising, business or computer experience join the FLASHLIGHT. Meetings are held Monday evenings at 4:00 in the office, 217 Memorial Hall. Any major is welcome. If you have any questions about what there is an opening in, or what goes on, just give us a call, 662-4986. The search is Over, you have found the FLASHLIGHT, on the Dark Side.

*Reminder: The BSU will be holding it's third meeting of the year. When: Sun., Oct. 27. Time: 3 p.m. Place: 204 Memorial Hall. Special guest: Michael Habovick.*

Art History Association. Join us at the Third Annual Creative Symposium Saturday, November 2, at 10:30 a.m. Allen Hall lecture auditorium. Music, poetry, art history papers, video art and theatrical performances. Invite your parents! Sponsored by the Art History Association. For more information contact Dr. Kutbay at 662-4507.

## Classifieds

Howard Wilcox would like to send his sincere thanks to all his friends and co-workers that attended his recent retirement luncheon. He was pleasantly surprised and grateful, and says to tell you all that he and his wife will enjoy his gift certificate for a future trip to Branson.

**ADVERTISE IN THE CLASSIFIEDS!** The Flashlight will be printing PERSONAL MESSAGES! Sell your old books, computer, or sound equipment, announce your new pledges, advertise for a roommate or catch a new fling all through the Classifieds. Up to 25 words, \$2.00. Each additional word, 10 cents Please submit TYPED personal ads to the Student Activities Office, 209 Memorial Hall C/O the Flashlight. The Flashlight reserves the right to edit any material with inappropriate content Money must be presented up front or your classified will NOT be run.

Phi Beta Lambda business fraternity would like to thank to announce the names of the pledges who are almost through the pledging procedure: Rossa Bristol, Shannon Evener, Cherie Hessler, Kim Jenner, Damon Thomas and Michele Wilson. Soon, they will be brothers. Phi Beta Lambda will also be visiting Corning Glass Marketing Dept. in three weeks. Thank you to Larry Shankman for explaining the job search on the Internet to the Phi Beta Lambda members who showed at the library on Monday, Oct. 14.





## Pennsylvania in the News

### Federal Appeals Judge critical of Megan's Law

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — It is now up to three judges of the federal appeals court here to decide whether New Jersey, after an eight-month suspension, will be allowed to resume sex offender notifications under Megan's Law.

And presiding Judge Edward Becker said during three hours of arguments Monday he was "troubled" by the notion of letting New Jersey officials conduct such notifications.

The U.S. Court of Appeals of the Third Circuit first heard arguments on Megan's Law one year ago, but the court concluded that case was premature because the offender had not yet been classified for notification.

On Monday, the three judges of the appeals court had before them a new, class-action case representing all of the sex offenders in New Jersey, including those who are one step away from seeing their names, photos, addresses and criminal records disseminated to their neighbors or to area schools.

New Jersey Attorney General Peter Verniero and U.S. Attorney Faith Hochberg presented the case in favor of Megan's Law notification, while lawyers for unidentified sex offenders pressed their case that community notification was inherently unfair.

The key issue was whether a warning to neighbors and schools about high-risk offenders constitutes additional punishment, or reasonable regulation, for offenders who have already completed their criminal sentences.

Judge Becker said he believed the New Jersey Legislature meant well when it passed Megan's Law in 1994.

But Becker said the effect of the policy as practiced on the streets was more important, and he said tales of vigilante incidents, harassment and other retributions showed there was a problem. "That's where I am troubled," Becker said.

No ruling was made on Monday, and an injunction preventing community notifications remains in place. A ruling is expected to take months. Community notification has been suspended for 14 of

the 22 months since Megan's law took effect in January 1995.

James Ryan, representing the sex offenders, claimed there were more than 21 instances in which such sex offenders who were living peaceably in the community had been victimized by assaults, vigilante threats, eviction or firing. "One person was assaulted three times," Ryan said.

Ryan said in seven of those cases, the sex offenders were subject to harassment after formal community notification under Megan's Law, and in 14 other cases retribution came after word about the offenders had leaked out.

State officials have claimed there were only a handful of minor cases of hostile actions against sex offenders, but the evidence presented Monday suggested a different picture.

Becker appeared to agree the risk to offenders was severe. "Every fabric of your being, of your life, is destroyed" by such hostile community reaction, Becker said. The judge, however, said he has not made up his mind about the fairness of the law.

Becker noted Verniero did not contest the truthfulness of Ryan's claims. "Your papers nowhere suggest this hasn't happened," Becker said to Verniero. "There have been instances, and there have been a large number of them."

Outside the courtroom, Maureen Kanka, the mother of the little girl for whom the law is named, said she condemns harassment or vigilante activities.

But Kanka said she did not believe many such incidents had occurred, adding the 21 depositions were sealed and were provided by unidentified people. "If someone is just calling them a name, well, that's not enough" to make a harassment case, Kanka said.

Megan's Law was enacted in response to the July 1994 rape and killing of 7-year-old Megan Kanka. Accused is a sex offender who lived across the street from her home in Hamilton, Mercer County.

During court arguments, Becker frequently interrupted and quarrelled with Verniero and Hochberg. At one point Becker paused and apologized to Hochberg for being "testy."

Becker said, "This is as hard a case as I have ever had" in 26 years on the bench because of it pitted protection for children against "the constitutional liberties upon which this republic is built."

Verniero said rights of sex offenders were adequately protected at special hearings before judges. Becker said such hearings are no guarantee because judges make mistakes.

"I am not so sure the statute can be saved" because judges try to make it fair, Becker said.

The New Jersey Supreme Court raised the same fairness issue last year. The late chief Justice Robert Wilentz corrected the defect when he ordered the special hearings, complete with free attorneys if needed, before any notifications could occur. The court then upheld Megan's Law 6-1.

### Student activist at Penn sets himself on fire, dies

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — An activist whose protests for world peace were a fixture at the University of Pennsylvania committed suicide on campus by setting herself on fire in a final attempt to draw supporters to her cause.

Kathy Change, 46, doused herself with gasoline Tuesday morning and ignited it, sending flames 10 feet high as about 50 people watched at the Ivy League school, authorities said.

A university police officer, rushing to check out the fire, threw his jacket over Change and rolled her on the ground to smother the flames. She was pronounced dead at a hospital 25 minutes later.

Police said they found suicide notes in a push cart about 15 feet from where Change killed herself.

Change had delivered packages of her writings to six students and two local residents about 2 1/2 hours before killing herself, the campus newspaper, The Daily Pennsylvanian, reported.

"My real intention is to spark a discussion of how we can peacefully transform our world," Change wrote in a three-page statement dated Oct. 7 that was included in the package, the newspaper reported. "I offer myself as an alarm against Armageddon and a torch for liberty."

Change, who changed her name from Chang to reflect her commitment to political reform, had frequently danced and displayed flags on the Penn campus over the past 15 years to promote her belief that America and the world must be transformed into truly democratic societies.

In one of her writings, Change wrote that she hoped her suicide would help to promote her ideas on government, the economy, law and morality.

"I want to give my message as much impact as possible," she wrote. "I truly believe that my death will make people more sympathetic towards me and interested in my work and ideas."

### Philadelphia, Pittsburgh make Fortune's list of nations "Best" cities

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Pennsylvania's two largest cities were both ranked in "Fortune" magazine's soon-to-be released list of the 15 best U.S. cities to live and work in.

Philadelphia, a city that was struggling to avoid bankruptcy five years ago, was ranked third in the nation, behind only Seattle and Denver, in the magazine's Nov. 11 issue.

Pittsburgh, recognized for its redevelopment efforts for the last decade, ranked ninth.

Although officials from both cities were pleased, their comments about the latest survey reflect the battles each area still faces.

"We were surprised by the story," said Kevin Feeley, spokesman from Philadelphia Mayor Edward G. Rendell.

The article specifically lauded Rendell's efforts to reform the city's finances and to rally the business community to help with revitalization efforts. It also mentioned the city's commitment to cultural development.

"We think it's an affirmation of the progress we've made," Feeley said. He noted that among the country's older cities, Philadelphia came out on top.

But, he cautioned, a lot of work remains. "The city still clearly has a ways to go in creating jobs for everyone that needs one," he said.

Officials in Pittsburgh were less enthusiastic about "Fortune's" praise.

"This is no surprise to us," said Peg McCormick Barron, spokeswoman for Pittsburgh Mayor Tom Murphy.

Pittsburgh was first rated most livable by Rand McNally about 10 years ago and consistently appears in such rankings, she said.

"Fortune" hailed Pittsburgh as a place where "the smokestacks have given way to glass towers as the city has gone from working class to classy."

It also pointed to the city's low crime rate and affordability.

Economic development experts caution against taking oft-published city rankings too seriously.

Philadelphia's phenomenal rating in "Fortune" comes just months after "Forbes" magazine ranked the city as one of the weakest in economic performance. Rendell disputed that report, and the magazine later changed its numbers, Feeley said.

"You have to take these with a grain of salt," said R.C. Staab of the Philadelphia Convention & Visitors' Bureau. The methodology used by each publication is different. And many of the factors they evaluate — such as those contributing to quality of life — are subjective, he said.

The "Forbes" piece relied more on statistical analysis, while the "Fortune" article seemed to rely more on images and impressions of the city, said Jim McManus of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce.

But officials acknowledge that a good ranking in a high-profile magazine or two makes their area an easier sell — in part by helping to change perceptions and dispel myths.

"I'd like to believe they don't matter, because they tend to be very thin," said John P. Claypool, Executive Director of Greater Philadelphia First. His economic development organization supplied "Fortune" with information for its latest article.

"But on the margin, it influences perception," Claypool said.

"Mayor Murphy and other leaders in the region say all the time that people come here to Pittsburgh and they see that it's not the dirty smoky city they expect," McCormick said.

"It's vibrant, it's clean, it's high-tech, it's a great place to live, work and play," she said.

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## Around the Nation

### Indonesia distances itself from Clinton-Riady relationship

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — The Indonesian government today distanced itself from a local banker's \$200,000 donation to President Clinton's re-election campaign, saying the relationship was a private matter.

Foreign Minister Ali Alatas said his government regrets "negative publicity" in the American media, which he said hints that the Indonesian government is connected with relations between Clinton and Indonesian billionaire James Riady.

"It is an entirely private matter," he told reporters.

The White House has denied that the donation to the Democratic Party was improper or illegal. American campaign finance laws allow donations from foreigners who are residents in the United States or by foreign companies that have U.S. subsidiaries.

Clinton's Republican challenger, Bob Dole, has said that accepting the money is tantamount to "foreign corruption of America."

While business and political circles in Indonesia have been unfazed by the controversy, some social groups and grass root leaders have questioned the Riady's patriotism in giving the money to a for-

eigner when it could have been spent on the poor here.

Riady, deputy chairman of one of Indonesia's biggest conglomerates, has known Clinton since the mid-1980s, when he ran the Worthen Bank in Little Rock, Ark., while Clinton was state attorney general. At the time, the bank was owned by Riady's family-run Lippo Group.

Although the Riadys divested Worthen Bank from their portfolio, the Lippo Group still operates a U.S. subsidiary, including a bank in Los Angeles.

Alatas said that as long as Riady did not violate any Indonesian laws, "it has nothing to do with the government."

"If he has violated the law in the U.S., then the U.S. government should take action against him."

Besides Riady, an Indonesian couple that lives in a middle-class suburb of Virginia gave the Democrats \$425,000. The woman is the daughter of another Indonesian tycoon who was a founder partner of the Riady's Lippo Group.

On Friday, the Democratic Party said it was removing a star fund-raiser, John Huang, who has garnered an estimated \$4 million to \$5 million from Asian-Americans this year.

### Education officials debate differences between "colleges" and "universities"

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — When Southern College of Seventh-Day Adventists in Collegedale added a master's degree program, president Donald Sahly wanted to recognize the change in the school's mission.

Board members agreed, and the name was changed to Southern Adventist University. It's the eighth Tennessee school to make the switch since 1990.

What's the difference?

"The word 'college' used to designate a four-year school," Sahly said. "But the word 'college' today is used for anything from truck driving school to barber school to a community college."

Sahly had wanted to change the school's name for at least eight years.

"I feel a university is an academic institution that offers more than a baccalaureate degree," Sahly said. "When you moved into graduate education, you are truly a university and you have a right to call yourself such."

Lee College in Cleveland is now considering a name change.

School president Paul Conn said his marketing department argues that the per-

ception among prospective students is that a university is better than a college.

"And I say, 'Well, that's not necessarily so. I'd rather be a good college than a mediocre university,'" Conn said. "But it doesn't compute that way to families."

Lee's board will vote on the change in December. An early poll shows the Lee faculty and students support the change.

But not all schools do.

Bryan College in Dayton offers a master's degree program but has no interest in changing its name.

And Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City recently voted to stay a college.

"There are a strong group of schools in Tennessee who want to stay colleges because that more describes their mission," said Hans Giesecke, president of Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities, which governs 35 accredited non-profit colleges and universities.

Some alumni fear a small college will lose its intimate atmosphere by changing to a university. And some faculty members worry there will be more radical and expensive changes.

### Hutchinson: Dirty final two weeks in campaign

MOUNTAIN HOME, Ark. (AP) — The Republican candidate for a U.S. Senate seat says he expects the final two weeks of the campaign to be dirty.

Rep. Tim Hutchinson, R-Ark., said the closing weeks of the campaign will be "tough and rough."

Hutchinson had lunch with supporters at Mountain Home on Tuesday, after speaking to classes at two colleges in Arkadelphia. He told the groups he has a different attitude toward taxes than that of his Democratic opponent, Attorney General Winston Bryant.

Meanwhile, Bryant campaigned at Fort Smith, Jonesboro, Blytheville and Paragould. He repeatedly cited what he said were losses that state hospitals would have suffered if President Clinton hadn't vetoed GOP-backed changes in Medicare that Hutchinson supported.

Hutchinson said Bryant's attempts to portray him as a slavish adherent of House Speaker Newt Gingrich were a "cookie cutter" approach being followed by Democratic candidates around the country. He told supporters that Bryant's "negative campaigning has backfired," though he added that he expected the race to get "dirty" between now and Nov. 5.

Hutchinson said he was proud of a nickname, "No-Tax Tim," that he said then-Gov. Bill Clinton gave him when

Hutchinson served in the Legislature. He said Americans were demanding tax reform, whether a flat tax, a national sales tax, or a 15 percent cut in taxes across the board.

"We need to reach a national consensus on tax reform," he said. "We need to hold public hearings and do it right."

Medicare is losing \$25 million a day and will be insolvent in four years if something isn't done, he said. He supported a GOP plan that would have slowed Medicare's growth to 7 percent a year, instead of the current 10 percent growth.

That support was repeatedly targeted by Bryant at his campaign stops Tuesday. He cited an article in Arkansas Business that said the GOP plan would have forced 30 to 35 hospitals in the state to close.

Bryant said a long-term Medicare fix would eventually be needed, but said a short-term solution involving reductions in fraud, managed care and competitive bidding should be achieved first.

"It's always been fixed (before)," he said. "Why can't we fix it now?"

Bryant claimed a vote for him would be a vote for an independent senator who would not vote automatically with Gingrich, or with the national Democratic Party, or even with the president.

### Five high school girls caught drinking while on school trip

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Five high school football cheerleaders have been suspended from school after they were caught drinking alcohol on a bus trip to a game.

Several members of the Cedar Shoals High School cheerleading squad had consumed alcohol on a school bus while en route to the Friday night football game in Auburn, Ala., Principal Charles Worthy said Tuesday.

He said the girls' actions were discovered by cheerleading coach Heather Grace before the game started.

Worthy said five members of the 14-member squad are suspended from school until next week, when they will go before the Clarke County Board of Education for a due process hearing.

The girls could face up to 45 days in alternative school. Worthy said he will not recommend expulsion, which he could under board policy. He declined to release the names, grades or ages of the girls involved.

School district policy clearly bars the

possession or consumption of alcohol by a student at a school-sponsored event. Violations are punishable by 10-day suspensions, or until the student receives a school board hearing.

Auburn police, who were already working at the game, administered breath tests before any of the cheerleaders were allowed on the field Friday night.

Three cheerleaders were told to stay on the bus because of their level of intoxication and out of concern for their safety, Worthy said. Two other cheerleaders had also consumed alcohol but were not deemed intoxicated.

No police charges were pending in Auburn.

Worthy said he is unsure where the minors obtained the alcohol which he said probably was vodka.

"Those young ladies have represented Cedar Shoals very well in the past, but they made an unwise decision," Worthy said. "It's been an unfortunate situation for all involved."

### Crashers Injure Six at Baptismal Celebration

WHITTIER, Calif. (AP) — Six people at a baptismal celebration were stabbed in a confrontation with party crashers who fled, then returned and shot two of the wounded, authorities said.

Five men and a woman were wounded in the attack early Sunday in unincorporated Los Angeles County territory between the cities of Whittier and Pico Rivera.

The victims were in stable condition. Authorities were seeking 13 party crashers.

The victims were guests at the party that was breaking up around 1 a.m., when nine men and four women turned up uninvited at the Dicky Street house.

The crashers confronted the guests and arguments broke out, followed by a

fistfight, said sheriff's Lt. Terry McCarty.

One of the party crashers pulled out a folding knife and six people were stabbed. The group drove off in three cars in three directions.

Then one car returned to the scene and at least one of the occupants opened fire with a handgun, hitting two of the already-wounded guests.

Four victims were treated at the scene by paramedics and taken to area hospitals. Relatives took two others to hospitals.

No identifications were available, but McCarty said three of the victims were 23 years old. The other victims were 16, 19, and 33.

The assault did not appear to be gang-related, according to a sheriff's statement.

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## Suggestions for the future of Alumni Hall

When we at the *Flashlight* learned that the old Alumni building was going to be transformed into a student union building, we decided that we would give our suggestions before work got started on it.

We have gone to other schools in the State System, and we have seen many other student union buildings. A twenty four hour student union building would be a very nice addition to Mansfield University. If we had a place where students could go at any hour of the night to study and grab a cup of coffee, everyone would be better off. Perhaps a few of the old computers could be placed around the new student union building. This way, when students wake up in the middle of the night, and they need to write that paper that slipped their mind and is due in three hours, they will have somewhere close to the dorms that they can write it.

Also another matter for consideration is to not make these computers networked. The last thing that this campus needs is another place for people to chat, chat, chat the night away. Simple computers which can only be used for word processing purposes would be more than enough. The couches from the old library could be used to furnish the new student union. By the time the student union building is completed, chances are that there will be very few students who remember the old library furniture left at MU anyway.

Another consideration for the Alumni building would be to place some sort of inexpensive dining for students to gather in a friendly atmosphere. Aside from Lower Manser, which is nothing more than a warm sidewalk on winter days, there are very few places where students on campus can gather and share ideas, thoughts or problems. There is plenty of room in Alumni Hall to accommodate the many needs of the student body.

Students need more than a pizza parlor with fifteen or so benches to seat a student body of about three thousand. Students need a study area separate from the ominous aura of the library. True, the administration has spent a considerable amount for the students renovating North Hall, but every other State School in Pennsylvania has BOTH a library and a sufficient student area. Lower Manser isn't an ample enough student area. We need a shelter to go to when we have had enough; or when we need something more. By making Alumni Hall a student center, we, the students, can do homework, meet new people, let off the steam accumulated from a hard day, and generally make our campus an even more student friendly area for the expansion of knowledge.

The quest for knowledge begins in the classroom, but a new student center would also enable faculty to congregate with their students in a relaxed environment. This "friendship" could become more of a reality than the "buddy system" portrayed in the brochure sent out to prospective students. There is already a rapport between the faculty and the students, but why not improve on it. This campus is trying to build itself and improve the learning process, so why not invest in another building for the students. We should not satisfy ourselves with mediocrity.

This campus is not, and should not, settle for the run of the mill or the average. The University should use this building to improve campus life and the college experience. Wouldn't every student feel better if they knew there was a place they could meet their friends, significant others or faculty and administration. This new student center would level the playing field between the countless buildings with offices for the faculty and the relatively few places for the students, aside from the classrooms and the prison-like dormitories.

The students are not ingrates, and neither are we. We are just trying to put some sort of a practical use to an empty building. What are the counter options? Is there really any need for a new faculty building when our faculty continues to shrink? Give the students more for their rising tuition costs and show us that the administration is not going to stop the giving process with North Hall. The more the student is offered, the more the student will return and spread the word.

## Payment for printer paper

To Charge or Not to Charge

I'm not necessarily advocating charging for printing in North Hall nor am I promising that by merely educating users we can ensure that printing will always be free. Moreover, my top ten list probably won't make it to "Letterman." But, in the meantime, by pointing out a few simple guidelines, at least maybe the number of pages being printed - and, therefore, expenses - can be reduced.

10) Don't use the printers as copiers. If you need 30 copies to handout in class, print out a single copy and then photocopy the rest.

9) Don't print unnecessary items. Just because your search produces results doesn't mean the results are useful or relevant. For example, when using a CD-ROM index, look at things like the abstract or subject line for clues to help you decide if the citation is worth

printing. Likewise, in Netscape, if you don't want a whole page, only print the part(s) you want. If you don't know how to do these sorts of things, ask a Reference Librarian or a Computer Assistant for help.

8) Use scrap paper. Don't waste an entire sheet of paper just to print out some things.

7) Don't print e-mail. If you must, learn how to "export" your messages. Then, in WordPerfect, edit out the header (and any other unnecessary parts) and cut/paste several messages to a page before printing.

6) Know what printer you're printing to. Particularly with the laptops, don't assume it's the nearest printer (it's actually going to be the one used by the last person to sign-out that laptop).

5) Because print jobs are queued, be patient! The

printer processes jobs in the order they're received. As such, there might be several jobs before yours. If yours (or theirs) is a big job (e.g. 7 page Netscape article with 12 graphics), it might be a while before you get your printout.

4) You can't always print from Netscape.

3) Preview your document. Edit as much as possible (e.g. check your spelling) before printing. For really long documents, you might want to "shrink" the font to save space (i.e. paper) and then change it back once you're ready to print the final draft.

2) If you get an error message, report it.

1) Don't try correcting the problem yourself. Pick up the nearest courtesy phone and talk with someone at the Information Desk.

Monty L. McAdoo  
Reference Librarian

## Negative response to comment

To the *Flashlight*,

I am writing to you as a response to the article about Homecoming in the *Flashlight* last week. I was very perturbed when I read the part about the band looking very unprofessional in their street clothes. Before this article was released, the reporter or staff should have checked into this matter. The

reason the band was in street clothes is because they don't have uniforms at this moment. The uniforms should be arriving this week. You may be thinking by now that I am a member of the band, but I am not a member. I wondered why they were dressed like this, so I asked. All that had to be done was to ask a band member, and

there are plenty of them to ask. If comments like this are going to be made about the band, the band should also get the chance to say something. Please find out the entire story before printing a person's opinion who does not know the entire story.

Sincerely,  
Stacy Haugh

## Student disagrees with coverage

To the Editor and Campus Community,

I have to disagree with the comment made by the *Flashlight* and by freshman, Nicole Terpolili about the MU marching band. The comment I disagree with is the fact that the marching band looked unprofessional "parading in street clothes rather than in uniform."

I beg everyone who wishes to make such comments to ask people in the band as to why they aren't in uniform.

1) New uniforms have been ordered and are being made. For some reason, that I'm not aware of, they are not ready yet. The Pride of Pennsylvania (the new name of the marching band) will be wearing their new uniforms at the next home

game, so please come out and support.

2) They did not wear old uniforms because there aren't enough to outfit the entire ensemble. Besides, the old ones are rotting through.

3) At least the marching band made some attempt to remain in uniform by all wearing blue jeans and marching band polo shirts.

I hope that the entire community was not fretting about the lack of uniforms, but was amazed by the great sound coming from the new larger marching band. I know that they rehearse very hard throughout the week to look and sound professional.

I do also want to remind that professionalism is

found in many areas. A lot of students on campus miss many wonderful events in the music department. This past Homecoming weekend was a Prism concert that was only 1 hour long and showcased nearly the entire department. There are many concerts, nearly every weekend and I rarely see non-music majors at any of them.

Again, I ask the *Flashlight* and other people on campus to find out the facts behind such situations. I also ask that you support the music department at MU. If not the department, at least support your fellow peers in the same way that we support you.

Sincerely,  
Jessica E. Rose

## Petition against parking tickets

To whom it may concern,

In response to the article on campus parking in the September 17th issue of the *Flashlight*, some commuter students are concerned about the effect that this "crackdown" on illegal parking will have on them.

Already, there is a shortage of available commuter parking spaces on campus. To add to this, the streets below campus are now limited to two hour parking, instead of the all day parking

that was once available for commuters.

Perhaps the use of one or more of these ideas could lead to a fair and responsible solution. This would be appreciated because a good portion of the commuter students here at Mansfield often have to juggle other responsibilities outside of school, including jobs, families, etc. Because of this, we find it frustrating to come to school and find that we often have no places to park.

We do sincerely hope

that a good plan to solve this problem does come about, because this "crackdown" on illegal parking makes us feel a bit unwelcome here at Mansfield. For other commuters interested in this issue, be sure to look in Memorial Hall on the lower lounge bulletin board for information on an upcoming petition addressing this problem.

Sincerely,  
Gerald T. Bailey, Jr.; Ed Rich-  
ter; Jodi Patterson; Craig A.  
Cobb; Donna Hammond; etc.



## Commentary

# The Bald Eagle is threatening, not protecting us



Dave Barry

It's time once again for our popular consumer health feature. "You Should Be More Nervous."

Today we're going to address an alarming new trend, even scarier in some ways than the one we discussed several years ago concerning the danger of airplane toilets sucking out your intestines (if you had forgotten about that one, we apologize for bringing it up again, and we ask you to please put it out of your mind).

We were made aware of this new menace when alert reader Edna Aschenbrenner sent us an item from an Enterprise, Ore., newspaper called - get ready for a great newspaper name - The Wallowa County Chieftain. The Chieftain runs a roundup of news from the small town of Imnaha (suggested motto: "It's 'Ahanmi' Spelled Backward!"). On March 14, this roundup, written by Barbara Kriley, began with the follow-

ing story, which I am not making up:

"A bald eagle sabotaged the Imnaha power line for an hour and a half outage Wednesday with a placenta from the Hubbard Ranch calving operation. The eagle dropped the afterbirth across the power lines, effectively shorting out the power."

This is a truly alarming story. We're talking about a BALD EAGLE, the proud symbol of this great nation as well as Budweiser beer. We don't know about you, but we always TRUSTED eagles; we assumed that when they were soaring majestically across the skies, they were PROTECTING us - scanning the horizon, keeping an eye out for storm fronts, Russian missiles, pornography, etc. But now we find out, thanks to the Chieftain, that they're not protecting us at all: They're up there dropping cow placentas. They've already demonstrated that they can take out the Imnaha power supply; it would be child's play for them to hit a human.

NOBODY is safe. Can you imagine what would happen to our democratic system of government if, just before Election Day, one of the leading presidential contenders, while speaking at an outdoor rally, were to be struck on the head by a cow afterbirth traveling at 120 miles per hour?

Nothing, that's what would happen. First off, your presidential contenders do not ever stop speaking for any reason, including unconsciousness. Second, they're used to wearing ridiculous headgear to garner support from some headgear-wearing group or another. It would be only a matter of time before ALL the leading contenders were sport-

ing cow placentas.

But a direct hit could have a disastrous effect on ordinary taxpayers. That is why we are issuing the following urgent plea to the personnel at the Hubbard Ranch and every other calving operation within the sound of our voice: PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE UNATTENDED PLACENTAS LYING AROUND. This is especially important if you see eagles loitering nearby, trying to look bored, smoking cigarettes, acting as though they could not care less. Please dispose of your placentas in the manner prescribed by the U.S. Surgeon General; namely, mail them, in secure packaging, to "The Ricki Lake Show." Thank you.

We wish we could tell you that the Imnaha attack was an isolated incident, but we cannot, not in light of a news item from the Detroit Free Press, written by Kate McKee and sent in by many alert readers, concerning a Michigan man who was struck in an extremely sensitive area - you guessed it; his rental car - by a five-pound sucker fish falling from the sky. I am also not making this up. The man, Bob Ringewold, was quoted as saying that the fish was dropped by a "young eagle." (The article doesn't say how he knew the eagle was young; maybe it was wearing a little baseball cap backward.) The fish dented the roof of the car, although Ringewold was not charged for the damage (this is why you car-renters should always take the Optional Sucker Fish Coverage).

And here comes the bad news: This is NOT the scariest recent incident involving an airborne fish. We have here an Associated Press item, sent in by

many alert readers, which begins:

"A Brazilian fisherman choked to death near the remote Amazon city of Belem after a fish unexpectedly jumped into his mouth."

The item - we are still not making any of these items up - states that "the six inch-long fish suddenly leapt out of the river" while the fisherman "was in the middle of a long yawn."

Of course, this could be simply a case of a fish - possibly a young fish, inexperienced or on drugs - not paying attention to where it was going and jumping into some body's mouth. On the other hand, it could be something much more ominous. It could be that fish in general, after thousands of years of being hounded by fishermen and dropped on rental cars, are finally deciding to fight back in the only way they know how.

If so, there is trouble ahead. You know those Saturday-morning professional-bass fishing programs on TV? We should start monitoring those programs closely, because the fish on those programs are probably SICK AND TIRED of always playing the role of victims. It is only a matter of time before there is a situation where a couple of televised angling professionals are out on a seemingly peaceful lake, casting their lures, and they happen to yawn, and suddenly the water erupts in fury as dozens of vengeful bass launch themselves like missiles and deliberately lodge themselves deep into every available angler orifice. And we would NOT want to miss that.

## Biologist speaks on the issue of animals in research

### Dr. Jonathan Balcombe

Associate Director of Education,  
Animal Research Issues with  
The Humane Society of the U.S.

Approximately seven million vertebrate animals are killed each year for dissection in U.S. biology classrooms. To illustrate the magnitude of this many animals, consider that if you lined them all up end to end, they would stretch more than twice the length of California.

And for what purpose? What gains are made when students cut open and explore the insides of frogs and cats and fetal pigs and dogfish sharks? The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) believes that whatever benefits might arise from dissections, they are far outweighed by the associated costs. Allow me to explain.

First, there is the animal suffering involved. Investigations into the dissection trade have documented, among other abuses, cats being drowned ten at a time in burlap sacks or prodded roughly into crowded gas chambers, rats embalmed with formaldehyde while still living, dozens of live frogs piled into sacks for days or weeks without food, and sickly turtles kept in filthy, overcrowded holding tanks. These sorts of conditions appear to be quite commonplace, and though they are inexcusable and sometimes illegal, they are perhaps not surprising in a business where the

"merchandise" is going to end up dead anyway.

Then there are human social concerns.

A principal goal of life science education is to teach respect for life. Dissection is an intrinsically violent exercise; it involves killing, preserving, cutting apart, then discarding an animal. However well-intentioned an instructor's desire to teach respect for animals, the typical dissection exercise will tend to undermine it by devaluing the lives of other creatures to the level of expendable objects. I have personally spoken with hundreds of bright, compassionate students who find dissection ethically repugnant; their response is sometimes to turn away from careers in such fields as human medicine, veterinary medicine, or nursing, where compassion is most needed. On the other hand, less sensitive students may be hardened by the exercise, the consequences of which are open to speculation.

There is also quality of education to be considered. Teachers who continue to use animals in dissections or other invasive classroom exercises are apparently unaware of or unmoved by the fact that more than a dozen studies have been published showing that students using humane alternatives learn anatomy and physiology as well as or better than students who use animals (The HSUS will provide an annotated list of these studies to anyone who requests it). Abundant resources are available for learning anatomy, physiology,

genetics, toxicology, and other animal-related fields that do not require animals to suffer and/or die. These include films, computer simulations, models, books, or a trip to the local veterinary clinic. To anyone who simply cannot bear the thought of dispensing with hands-on contact with a preserved animal, human cadavers offer the full scale experience without the associated ethical problems (people are not killed solely for the purpose of dissection, and the patient voluntarily donates his/her body).

Even the economics of dissection do not argue for its use. The HSUS recently did a cost comparison and found that, for all five species we looked at (shark, &og, rat, pig, cat), the cost of purchasing a broad range of alternative materials was lower than that of purchasing animals to dissect. For 270 students (two students per animal) over a three year period, money saved ranged from \$344 (bull&ogs) to \$4,342 (cats). If you want to save even more money, just borrow the alternative. The HSUS, for instance, operates an Alternatives Loan Program that currently has over forty items available on a temporary, free-of-charge basis.

Finally, there is environmental protection. Many of the animals harmed or killed for classroom use are caught in the wild. Populations of &ogs and sharks, for instance, have been seriously declining in recent years, and while the specific impact of their capture for classroom use is not known, it is certainly not ecologically beneficial. Moreover, the

world needs people who value environmental stewardship and compassion for life; dissection fosters neither.

Perhaps there are a few fields, such as veterinary medicine, for which cutting open and examining the insides of dead animals is indispensable. But how ironic that healthy animals would be killed for students whose professional goal is to save lives and ease suffering. Even vet schools don't need to deliberately kill animals to train their students. Conducting spay/neuter surgeries on animals from the animal shelters, and procuring deceased cats and dogs from their owners who sign a consent form are among the ethical ways that growing numbers of vet schools are procuring animals for their training programs. And as for the use of animals in medical school, consider that 27 of the nation's medical programs don't use animals in their curricula, and at all but one of the remaining schools the animal labs are optional. Using animals to practice surgery has been illegal in England for more than 100 years.

With all the suffering in the world, should we really be adding to it in our education programs? Is dissection necessary when other learning methods have been shown repeatedly to effectively replace it? Is there any justification for animal dissection when it has so many counts—animal killing, animal suffering, violation of students' sensibilities, mediocre educational merit, and environmental disruption—against it? We think not.



# Out of Context

## Farming cats: the how and why

by Ian Kaiser  
unfeatured editor

My friend Jen recently made a comment to me that started me thinking. Yes, I know, a dangerous past-time, and not one I am very adept at. But I started thinking anyway. Sometimes you just can't help these things. In any case, she was preparing to come up and visit me, and was bringing her sister Anne and our mutual friend, Tessa. We were on the phone discussing their probable arrival time.

"We're going to try to leave around 6, but it will probably be later," Jen said. "Getting several females to do anything on time is like herding cats."

I realized that this was indeed the perfect analogy for ultimate futility. I was staring blindly into the face of the literary incarnation of fruitless labor. Being the strange and masochistic guy that I am, I decided that I am eventually (whenever I get around to it ... I am also an accomplished procrastinator) going to drop out of school and become a cat farmer.

Cat farming is a niche currently completely untapped in the agricultural market. The only problem is that I can't quite figure out what kind of cash crop cats would be. After all, what is marketable about a cat herd? I decided to apply the concept of cat cultivation to the current agricultural products being produced in the world today.

**Meat** - Being a vegetarian, I would be forced to be morally opposed to raising cats for the slaughter. Besides, cat meat is a very limited market. As far as I know, the only people interested in buying cat flesh are Chinese restaurants, dog food plants, hot dog and lunch meat manufacturers, school cafeterias, and dogs themselves. While dogs would probably be good customers in this re-

spect, they are usually very forgetful and never pay their bills on time. What is more, due to the fact that they are dogs, they are usually short on hard cash. Biologists buy cats to dissect, but this leaves us with the same general problem: I can't and generally don't want to kill the cats. So raising cats for their meat or scientific experiments is what some might call "out of the question."

**Dairy** - This would be a possibility, even though I do have some doubts about the mechanical feasibility of cat milk. It seems like this product could become somewhat of a gourmet item, to be used in the most expensive coffees and on only the best cereals. But, as I said, I don't know how well cats can be milked. As far as I know, they don't really have much in the way of teats. You'd have to develop a very small set of milkers, or find several people with very small and nimble fingers to milk the herd.

Come to think of it, maybe you could train a large number of tiny monkeys to milk the cats. Get a dozen or so rhesus monkeys, give them an intense three month course on the "Ins and Outs of Advanced Cat Milking for Monkeys," and you'll be all set to go. But where do you keep all these monkeys? For that matter, where do you keep all these cats? My thought is this: a monkey tree and a cat barn. All you'd need is a really big tree in some enclosure for the monkeys and a fairly large barn with a low ceiling (you try getting a herd of cats down out of the rafters ... come to think of it, the monkeys could climb up and milk the cats in the rafters), lots of pillows, and a huge litter box. You'd be much better off if you could also train the monkeys to go in the litter box. I don't know how much the cats would like that, though. Historically, they're not very social animals, and might look down on the monkeys as hired help, and not want to share their facilities.

The only other problem is that cat milk is what you might call an acquired taste. In other words it tastes a lot like rancid Venezuelan Beaver Cheese. But some people like rancid Venezuelan Beaver Cheese, so it just might work. Cat Cheese is another matter though. It has the consistency of molasses and smells like vinegar. It seems to me that cat dairy products might be a little bit ahead of their time, though. I guess I'll have to look for some other market.

**Textiles** - I know this is not necessarily a new market, as people do wear Angora, but maybe we haven't fully tapped all the possibilities of cat hair. The

wonderful thing about cat hair is its many possible uses. For instance, cat hair mattresses and pillows provide some of the best nights of sleep you'll ever get. You can also weave cat hair into rugs, tapestries, and very soft and fashionable hair pieces (Ever seen a tiger tabby toupee? It's quite a sight). Another benefit of cat hair is that you don't have to shear the cats. All you have to do is brush them once in a while and keep the hair they shed. Besides, shaving cats would not be the most pleasant task in the world. As a matter of fact, it would probably be downright dangerous. It's bad enough trying to bathe a cat, just try getting it to hold still long enough to be shorn and still have any one square inch of your flesh still intact. The major problem with using cat hair for clothing, textiles, etc. is that many people are allergic to cats. The problem with that is that they will also be allergic to your cat toupee. Besides which, dogs will hate you with a passion. So it seems that I'll have to develop entirely new agricultural uses for cats.

It seems to me that there would be two categories of cats one would have to deal with on a cat farm: dead ones and live ones. So one must figure out how to deal with these two classes of cats. I suppose it would be easier to find uses for the dead cats. Whole books have been written on this particular subject, so I think I'll begin by exploring just a few of the many uses for a herd of live cats.

1. Pile them on your bed to keep you warm on cold winter nights.
2. Train them to guard your house.
3. Fill someone's car with cats as a bizarre practical joke.
4. Freak out your neighbor's dog.
5. Take them to the SPCA on a field trip.
6. Use them to control the rodent population in New York City.
7. Use them to control the cat-nip population anywhere.
8. Get them all to climb the same tree in someone's front yard and film his reaction when he comes out to get the newspaper in the morning.
9. Cats like to hunt bugs. Rent them out during gypsy moth invasions.
10. Invent a way to harness static electricity, and power a huge generator with your cats..

So what does the cat farmer (scientific term: feliarist) do with the cats once their nine lives have all expired?

1. They make good bath

### FAKE WEB SITE OF THE WEEK

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brushes once rigor mortis has set in.

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4. Stuffed animals for underprivileged children.
5. Dust mops.
6. Pets for families who don't want the hassle and trouble of a live cat.
7. Politically correct stoles (the cats died of natural causes, after all).
8. Naturally fuzzy bedroom slippers.
9. Garden pest control. Just prop 'em up in a menacing position to scare away birds and moles.
10. Put them in bad kid's stockings on Christmas morning instead of coal.

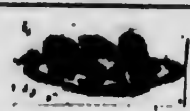
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Non Sequitur

Some pictures that aren't for the photo album

by Josh Cusatis  
inside editor out

In last Wednesday's issue of the Elmira Star-Gazette there was an article in the local section on page 2B that really made me say, "Wow! I think I could write about that!"

Apparently, an anti-abortion group (which I will keep nameless because I will not give them any free publicity) thought it would be a good way to get their point across if they blew up pictures of aborted fetuses and held them up at one of the busiest traffic intersections in the country.

These must be the people that think it is in good taste to leave their asses hanging out of their pants and scratch their balls at their child's first holy communion. After all, no "good" Catholic (yes, I'm being stereotypical but I was raised Catholic so at least I'm educated) could not walk out on that occasion even if the hydrogen bomb is falling on the church.

There are two problems here.

First, wouldn't this be a traffic hazzard?

"So, honey. I'll pick you up at noon for lunch and... Oh, my God! What is that?! AAAARRRGGGHHH!!!"

The car swerves all over the road, knocking many cars off of the road, and slams into a school bus and instantly, forty 9 year old children are eating their Lunchables with Saint Peter.

Second, (and this one is serious) these people should be guilty of the crime of Forced Belief which I have just invented.

There is a picture along with this article (caption: Look at this) of a woman with one of the pictures and she's holding it up to a school bus.

Do you really want your children to see this, start asking questions they aren't supposed to for years or have their minds "scarred" by people who will never have to answer for their crimes?

What I'm trying to say is that not every idea is a good one. I'm also saying that people should have a little taste (this from me) and keep your beliefs dear to you. You can voice them but make sure that you don't force them on me or anyone else. I just isn't very responsible.

If you don't follow these simple rules you'll find yourself in my court and in contempt and jou don't know what I do to jou den!

Helen Daley from the Pro-Choice Network said that they didn't protest because the event was what she called "manufactured media." Bloody, good show!

Canada: It's not just for breakfast anymore

by Chris McGann  
Toronto bureau

I was just sitting here and examining some of life's smaller mysteries. Specifically, I was wondering where those little white fuzzies that some how get on your clothing comes from. Then I realized that I am living in the wrong country and there are some obvious advantages to living in Canada.

What do Canada and fuzzies have in common. The answer is simple: nothing! Absolutely nothing. Ever! But there are still many good reasons to say

that Canada is an important and interesting place.

"If it wasn't for Canada, China could sail over and invade Denmark. Imagine eating cream cheese with chop sticks." This was actually a quote by a Canadian remarking on the importance of his nation.

During the Cuban Missile Crisis, Canada went on alert because Kennedy pressured them into it. They didn't tell anyone about it though.

On Oct. 23, the Associated Press reported that two Canadian M.P.'s introduced legislation to mock the Helms-Burton act that deters dealings with Cuba. This bill calls for compensation for lands seized from Tories during the American Revolution. Consequently, you can still get a Cuban cigar in Canada.

They have the Maple Leafs, ice, beer, and ice beer.

Murder is uncommon in Canada because that is not done in polite company.

They held a referendum to name the part of the Northwest Territories that was not returned to the Native Americans. The choice of the voters to retain the name "Northwest Territories." The number two choice was "Bob."

Ironically, even though a Cana-

dian invented basketball, it is only in the last several years that Toronto and Vancouver got basketball teams.

In the immortal words of Gilbert Gottfried, "I like Canada. It's like a whole other country."

Histroy has shown that the more northern country in a war is usually the country that emerges as the victor. Think about it. It's true as far as history has been concerned at least so far as we can tell.

Considering Canada convinced me to cavort up to the colder part of the continent (notice the alliteration), see ya later.

Parents/Family Day Activities  
Saturday, Nov. 2

Bookstore Hours	9am - 3pm	Manser Lobby	North Hall Library Open	10am - 5pm	Library
Mountie Den	Noon - 8pm	Manser Lobby	Library Demonstration (Including Web Sites)	10am - 1pm	Library
Children's Art Class	9:30 - 11am	Allen Hall, Rm. 112	Brunch	10:30am - 1pm	Manser Dining Room
Student Art Exhibit	10am - Noon	Allen Hall Hallway	Football M.U. Vs. East Stroudsburg	1pm	Van Norman Field
Art Exhibit Art	10am - 1pm	North Hall Gallery	Honorary Mother and Father of the Day	Half-Time	Van Norman Field
Creative Arts Symposium	10:30am - Noon	Allen Hall Auditorium	M.U. Marching Band Show	Half-Time	Van Norman Field
President's Reception	10am - 11am	Manser North Dining Room	Music Faculty Concert	5pm	Steadman Theatre

ACTIVITIES OFF-CAMPUS

First annual "Mumapplekin" Festival. On The Green (center of town) - 10:00 am - 4 pm Music and Food of the 1780's.

The 24th annual Christmas Craft Show, sponsored by the Holy Child Catholic Church. Over 80 crafters will be at the Warren L. Miller Elementary School from 10:00 am - 4 pm. (Admission charged)



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# SPORTS

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## Mounties drop tough loss to Golden Bears

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University football team suffered a disappointing loss 10-7 Saturday, October 19 to the Kutztown University Golden Bears.

"I'm proud of the way we played against Kutztown," said second year head football coach Joe Viadella. "I know, as do the players, we would have beat Kutztown if we didn't fumble in the last two minutes."

The Mounties out rushed Kutztown 255-89 while amassing 330-yards in total offense holding Kutztown to just 211-yards.

Mansfield jumped on the board early in the first quarter when junior middle linebacker Jim Ludwig returned a fake punt 71-yards to score the Mounties lone touchdown of the game. Junior kicker Jason Johnston booted home the extra point giving Mansfield a seven point lead over the Golden Bears. Ludwig and the Mounties drove the ball 80-yards on four plays.

"The offense and defense all came out together," said junior running back Jason Donadi. "The emotion was there and everyone was ready to play."

Midway through the second quarter Kutztown answered with a score of their own on a 10 play, 74-yard drive. KU quarterback Rob Holmes connected to Anthony Browder on a five yard pass.

### FOOTBALL

MOUNTIES  
KUTZTOWN

7  
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Place kicker Tim Delaney's extra point tied the game up at seven a piece.

The score remained tied at seven a piece going into the locker rooms.

"This was the best game we've played all year by the offense and defense," said red-shirted freshman Bob Woodward. "It did the team a lot of good to play a real good game against one of the top teams in the conference."

Mansfield comes out of the first half ready to play driving the ball on eight plays but ended up having to punt the ball away. With 3:38 left in the third quarter Kutztown broke the tie on a 27-yard field goal by Delaney. Kutztown drove the ball 34-yards on seven plays to give the Golden Bears a three point lead.

Late in the fourth quarter Mansfield had their best scoring opportunity of the game driving the ball to the Kutztown 10-yard line. On second down, freshman quarterback Lucas Smith fumbled the ball with Kutztown recovering. That ended Mansfield's scoring opportunity and the game. The final score stood with Kutztown 10 and Mansfield 7.

"Our team came out together



Photo by Thad Woodward

Junior running back Jason Donadi pounded out 147-yards on 38 carries in the Mounties 10-7 loss to Kutztown. Donadi currently has 705-total net yards.

to play as one, like we did at Cortland," Donadi said. "I hate to blame it on the weather, but it did have some effect on the plays."

Donadi pounded out 147-yards on 38 carries on his quest to become Mansfield's first 1000-yard rusher giving him 705 net yards for the season. Donadi also had three catches for 41-yards while Smith was six for 23 for 75 yards.

"The offensive line all played a terrific game," Donadi said. "They all made their blocks and it was great to have that."

Senior defensive end Joel Kargbo and outside linebacker Matt Williams each lead the team with seven tackles. Ludwig chipped in with six tackles

including one for a two-yard loss. He also sacked the quarterback for an eight yard loss.

"We played as a team," said wide receiver Jason Williams. "Everyone played together and we stayed focused."

The Mounties (2-5) are back in action this Saturday against West Chester University (4-2). Game time is slated for 1:30 at John A. Farrell Stadium.

On October 12, the Mountie football team lost 74-13 to Bloomsburg University. Donadi and freshman Lee Brannon accounted for the Mounties only touchdowns of the game. Johnston's extra point closed out the scoring for the Mountaineers.

### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	137	53	387	759	1	7	8
M. Keating	44	23	523	218	0	0	14

Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
J. Donadi	21	160	0	J. Donadi	190	705	3
M. Hanley	2	50	0	D. Banyar	12	47	0
N. Davis	15	246	0	L. Smith	42	89	3
L. Brannon	2	7	0	L. Brannon	53	206	3
M. Brezovech	2	49	0	N. Davis	3	10	0
P. Herchik	9	184	0	J. Ludwig	3	71	1
B. Woodward	5	77	0	Punting	No.	Yds.	Av.
J. Povenski	10	113	0	M. Hanley	49	1733	35.4

Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	3	72	0	Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	TD
C. Morrison	1	9	0	L. Brennon	16	226	0
J. Ludwig	1	1	0	D. Banyar	5	95	0
M. Hanley	1	8	0	J. Williams	14	227	0
M. Williams	1	1	0	J. VanOrden	1	5	0
				R. Entrot	1	10	0

Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD	Tackle Leaders: M. Williams (27), J. Nicholson (28), J. Kargbo (28), M. Guzevich (27), C. Morrison (25) J.J. Cleaver (25), J. Ludwig (22), R. Entrot (19), J. VanOrden (18), R. Karmol (17), M. Hanley (15)
J. Williams	9	59	0	
J. Curto	1	5	0	

Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	3	0-0					20
J. Johnston					6-8	4-6	18
L. Brannon	3						18
J. Donadi	3						18
J. Ludwig	1						6

Sacks: Joel Kargbo (3-34yds), Jim Ludwig (1-8yds), Matt Guzevich (1-6yds)

## Mounties face big game against West Chester

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

The Mansfield University football team travels this Saturday to West Chester to take on the Golden Rams.

West Chester has the winningest Division II football program in the nation. This should be the Mountaineers' most difficult game of the season. The Golden Rams record is currently 4-2.

The 2-5 Mounties go into this tough game after a heart-breaking loss to Kutztown last Saturday. Mansfield dropped last week's game 10-7 in the pouring rain.

On their last possession, the Mounties drove to Kutztown's ten yard line but turned over the ball before they could score.

"I'm proud of the way we played against Kutztown. I know, as do all the players, we would have beaten Kutztown if we didn't fumble in the last two minutes," said second year Mansfield Head Football Coach Joe Viadella.

Mansfield's offensive bright spot, tailback Jason Donadi, compiled 147 yards last week. The week before, against Bloomsburg, Donadi was held in check.

However, he is still on track to becoming Mansfield University's first 1,000 rusher.

He averages just over 100 yards per

game.

For Mansfield to win this game, Donadi must have a career day against West Chester's fourth ranked defense.

Sophomore quarterback, Lucas Smith, must also pull through this week.

The Mansfield signal-caller had only six completions in 23 attempts last week against Kutztown.

West Chester has an explosive offense that combines a powerful Passing attack with a steady ground game. Their offense is ranked sixth over-all in the PSAC.

The Mountaineer defense will have to turn it up a notch if they hope to stop the Golden Rams. The Mountie defense is currently ranked 14th in the PSAC.

In their two wins they have been stingy giving up only three points. However, in Mansfield's five losses they have given up 260 points.

"We have a tough schedule and maybe no one is as tough as West Chester," said Viadella. "They have a great passing offense and one of the PSAC's top defenses."

The Mountaineers have faced West Chester 25 times since 1958. Never once has Mansfield beaten the Golden Rams.

Kick-off is set for 1:30 at John A. Farrell Stadium in West Chester.



# Women basketball team prepares for season

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

It's that time again! Long days in the gym, strenuous practices and lots of dedication. That's right, basketball is once again alive and well on the campus of Mansfield University.

Midnight Madness, on Tuesday October 15, was the first official practice of the Mansfield University Mountaineer Women's basketball team that kicks off the 1996-97 season.

Jennifer Lynch resumes as the head coach this year for her second season and likewise with assistant coach Anne Bonner.

Lynch is a 1992 Bates College graduate with a school and career record

of 5-19. Bonner is a 1994 Penn State-Behrend graduate.

This year's team consists of 17 players, 11 of which are letter-winners from last year. The returning seniors this year are Sarah Barr, Christine Hill, Elizabeth Bricker, Becky Dutko, 16.7 scoring an average of 16.7 points per game, and co-captains Michele Jeffery, averaging 11.0 rebounds per game, and Erin Fisher.

"We have a lot of experience coming back from last year plus there's a lot of freshman. We look to do a lot of good things this year. I just can't wait to get out there and play again", said Fisher.

Last year's record was a disappointing 5-19, 2-10 in the Conference, but they hope to improve upon that, according to the players.

The three juniors this year are Jill Masker, Jackie Williams, and Cheryl Farabaugh. Returning sophomore players are Lauren Martin and Tracy Moser.

The Mounties newcomers include freshmen Deanna Brewster, Nicole Cacciavillano, Jennifer Reschke, Karen Krouse, and Colleen Doherty.

"Working with college players is different than high school because they are more dedicated. I'm really excited for this season to start. It's more challenging than high school, but I hope it's well worth it in the long run", said Krouse.

Lynch could not be reached for comment.

"We play teams such as East

Stroudsburg, West Chester, and Kutztown, but this year we're all pretty equal. No one really stands out in the conference as a power-house," said Fisher.

"Practice here on the college level is much more intense. Because of this, the time goes by quickly and I feel that I get more out of the practices. Our team is really spirited. We encourage and help each other out all the time. We're there for each other always" said guard Colleen Doherty.

The Mounties kick off their 1996-97 season November 15-16 at the Indiana University of Pennsylvania Tourney.

Their first Conference game is against Daemen College on Wednesday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. in Decker Gymnasium.

## Mountie men's basketball preview for 1996-97 season

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

The sound of the whistle and screeching Nikes can only mean one thing in Decker Gymnasium.

That's right it's the start of the men's basketball season for the 1996-97 campaign.

Coach Tom Ackerman, in his 8th season at the helm as the Mountaineers head basketball coach, has his team pumped and ready for the ensuing season.

Led this year by senior captains Louis Judson, Lawrence Culver, and

Shawn Wosley the Mounties have their hearts set on re-establishing themselves after last year's disappointing lone win in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC).

According to Ackerman, there is a lot of freshmen and transfer talent that will help lead the way for the Mounties.

That talent will be beneficial to the team's best all-around player, Judson.

"Juddy has been great so far. He realizes this is his last go-around, and is showing signs of responsibility," Ackerman said.

"In the past, he was looked

upon to play three different positions due to lack of depth and/or injuries. This year with our depth, Louis will be able to concentrate on his natural position, two-guard (shooting guard)."

Ackerman also said that with the abundance of freshmen and transfers, there will be changes in the offense so that everyone would get the chance to score, even the point guard.

At that point guard spot, will be red-shirted freshman, Tom Harvey, who will be filling the big shoes left open by Tyrone Fisher's departure.

"Tom is quick and has good defensive skills. We will look to him to be the play-maker this year. With

the talent our guys possess, and the style of offense that we're running, Tom will be a play-maker first and foremost," Ackerman said.

What Ackerman likes the most about this year's Mountie team is the fact that they have more depth and talent than ever before.

"We are much improved, with more depth and talent than ever. We should know that every time we walk out onto the floor, we have the opportunity to win the ball game," said Ackerman.

Ackerman and the Mountie men are geared up for a long run through the PSACs this year with hopes of making the play-offs.

## Rich Kotite survives as coach for New York Jets

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (AP) — Jim Mora, seemingly self-destructing, resigns in New Orleans. Dave Shula, seemingly in over his head, is fired in Cincinnati.

Rich Kotite survives in New York.

June Jones could be headed out of Atlanta any moment. Across the Hudson River, Dan Reeves likely is gone when the Giants' season ends, if not sooner.

Rich Kotite survives. Why?

The answer does not lie in the numbers, for Kotite, 0-8 this season, 3-21 as Jets coach and 3-28 in his last 31 games, has reached the bottom of the ledger.

If the Jets lose at Arizona on Sunday, he will have the worst record for 32 games in the modern era. Kotite will have out-lost John McKay, who went 3-28 with expansion Tampa Bay, then won Game 32.

The answer does lie in Kotite's demeanor, his dedication to the organization and his ability to keep his players going while the losses pile up.

"They are redirecting their frustrations, just like I am and the staff is," he said. "There is still a lot fight left in this team."

"They are sticking together and doing all they can to turn it around. You don't have any clubhouse lawyers around here. The last two weeks, especially, they are redirecting their frustration into what we have to do to get it done."

"It is so easy to fall into the trap of feeling sorry for yourself and saying, 'Why me?' We don't have that

here. We're taking care of ourselves and each other."

What they're not doing is taking care of the wins column. No team has gone 0-16 in a season and the Jets face teams with a combined 31-18 mark the rest of the way.

Yet there is no indication that Kotite won't last the season. Despite building fan uproar and media disapproval of the job Kotite's done — even the sports anchor on MSG Network, which carries the weekly "Jets Journal" TV show, continues to berate the coach — Kotite received backing from team president Steve Gutman this week.

"I know a lot of fans and members of the media tend to not believe us, but if you look at every game we've played from week to week, the team is getting better," Gutman said. "In the last three or four games, the team has really strengthened. But we haven't won a game. Everybody knows that."

And most everybody knows the Jets have been racked by injuries. They expect to get back quarterback Neil O'Donnell, middle linebacker Marvin Jones, defensive end Hugh Douglas and receivers Jeff Graham and Webster Slaughter by Nov. 10 against New England.

Kotite has used that as a motivational tool to keep the team playing hard, something it certainly has managed, despite all the losses — a team record 12 straight since last season.

"I think Richie has made a point to bring it up several times," said backup QB Frank Reich, who has played well in O'Donnell's absence. "One of the coach's jobs is to keep guys up and motivated and he's done that very well."

Then there is Kotite's standing within the organization. He is a good company man who doesn't make waves the way Bruce Coslet, who spent four years as Jets coach, did from 1990-93. He's also a nice guy.

But, in the end, nice or nasty, the guy has to produce. So do his teams. Kotite hasn't come close.

And even when such key players as O'Donnell, Jones and Dou-

## Lindros' injury feeling better

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Eric Lindros said Tuesday night he was "more at ease" after speaking to another doctor about his groin injury this week. But he still wasn't sure when he would be back on the ice for the Philadelphia Flyers.

Lindros, talking to reporters during Tuesday night's game with the Anaheim Mighty Ducks, said he had been improving, but then reached a plateau and wasn't getting better — only more anxious to play.

But after visiting the groin specialist this week, "I was more at ease about the situation."

As for when he would back,

glas return, it must be remembered that the Jets didn't win any games with them healthy.

"In any business, you measure everything," Kotite said. "I like people to be judged this way and I judge people the same way: You measure strength, and the only way you measure strength is during the difficult times."

There certainly have been enough of those. Yet Kotite survives.

the Flyers' captain was noncommittal.

"I can't tell you for sure but we figure it could happen in 10 days, it could happen in more."

As for further treatment, he said he may try acupuncture again and try some different abdominal exercise.

The all-star center skated in pain Monday at the Flyers' practice rink in Voorhees, N.J., then flew to Durham, N.C., to be examined by William Garrett at the Duke University Sports Medicine Center.

Team orthopedic surgeon Dr. Arthur Bartolozzi had recommended that Lindros see a groin specialist. Lindros has also consulted his family physician.

## 1996 Mountie Football Schedule

### SEPTEMBER:

7 SUNY Cortland  
14 at Southern Connecticut State  
21 at Ithaca College  
28 at Lock Haven

### OCTOBER:

5 Millersville  
12 at Bloomsburg  
19 Kutztown  
26 at West Chester University

### NOVEMBER:

2 East Stroudsburg University  
9 at Cheyney University  
16 Clarion University



## Sports Views

# Support our MU sports

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

Over the summer there were a lot of changes that took place on our campus, the construction of the new Recreation Center and the opening of the North Hall Library just to name a few.

One thing that probably hasn't changed is the support for Mansfield University athletic events.

Granted, the only sport that gets national recognition is the baseball team, but the athletes for the other collegiate sports here in Mansfield work just as hard to accomplish their goals in improving their past misfortunes.

This year the field hockey team has improved their play tremendously with the help of their new coach Vicki Sax.

Coach Sax has gotten these girls to believe in themselves and play together as a unit.

The softball team has gone out and gotten themselves quality recruits, and with the returners from last year, Coach Edith Gallagher has her team looking forward to good things in the spring time.

Now these are sports that get recognized on this campus by students, but there are sports students didn't even know we had.

The athletes of these sports are probably used to it by now.

The cross-country, track and swimming teams all have good programs that represent our university well in inter-collegiate competition, but get small, if any, amount of support from the students.

Yeah the baseball, football, wrestling, and basketball (both men and women) games are more interesting to watch, but the other sports that don't get much of our attention deserve it, too.

My notion to you is to get up, get out, and get supporting the less

recognized teams here in Mansfield. Not only will they appreciate your attendance, but you'll see that these sports are just as exciting to watch as the others.

They represent our university well.

### IN OTHER OPINION

NEWS: On another note. I would first like to say to the editor, Amber, that although you and Joe don't share the same feelings towards the Yankees as I do, it doesn't matter to me.

They are a lot better than your Phillies!

Second, I would like to say that I didn't have much faith in the Yankees after they lost the first two games at home.

But, after games 3 and 4, the Yankees have reaffirmed my confidence in them and now I believe, whole-heartedly, that they can win the series and be crowned the 1996 World Champions!

What do you have to say about that one Amber and Joe?

One more thing. The National Basketball Association season gets underway after this weekend, and the odds on favorite to meet up in the NBA Finals are the Chicago Bulls and the Los Angeles Lakers.

This pre-season has allowed the many free agents to get acquainted with their new teams.

The major free agent move was Shaquille O'Neal leaving Orlando for the Lakers.

Not to mention the fact that, there are two more high schoolers who have entered the NBA ranks and are getting their feet wet.

Kobe Bryant and Jermaine O'Neal, no relation to Shaquille, are both younger than me and set for life. That sucks!!!

"Sports Views" discuss issues in local and national sports, both professional and collegiate. We'd like to hear your opinion about the topics we've discussed, or about ones you think should be discussed. All submissions must be signed by the author of the letter and please include your phone number. Please direct questions, comments or topics to: "Sports Views" Flashlight Office, 217 Memorial Hall.

## Stop paying professional athletes so much money

by Patrick Manwiller  
sports reporter

Why do professional sports athletes make so much money? Are they worth that much? I personally don't believe so.

In today's sports, if you aren't receiving a million dollars a year, you are considered to be one that rides the pine or warms the bench.

The base salary exceeds \$100 thousand in almost every professional sport.

Where do organizations draw the line? The thing is, that they haven't drawn the line. They let the players run the show for them.

If a player doesn't receive what he believes he is worth, he will either go to a different team or take the situation into arbitrary court.

In my opinion, baseball is the worst with this situation. Granted, football is not much better, but baseball has just exceeded the limit.

If a player does not receive what he is believed to be worth, that player will probably put out a request to be traded.

The thing is, when owners or the team's General Manager hears about his, they will make a move. This move, in turn, opens up money for the team.

What makes this the worst, is the fact that back in the days of Babe Ruth, Willie Mayes and Lou Gehrig they probably made a quarter of the amount of what the players make now in a two

year contract.

Football on the other hand is a little more generous to their players because of the risk factor involved with playing their sport.

Even with the risk factor, I still don't believe that any one of those players is worth the amounts they are making.

For example, Deion Sanders does not deserve all of the money he makes. Granted, he is a spectacular player, but he isn't that great to receive the millions that he receives. He lets all of the money talk go to his head.

Another factor to look at is the amount of professional sports stars that do advertisements and endorse different products.

For instance, Michael Jordan endorses Hanes, Ballpark Franks and Nike.

He is making more than enough money to live on from just those products. Yet on top of that, he is receiving his money from his team.

My suggestion is that teams should start to open up their eyes, and see what kind of things are going on in their team.

The teams should stop allowing the superstars to walk all over them.

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### Flashlight Athlete of the Week

**Jim Ludwig**

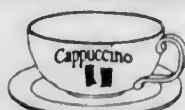


Jim Ludwig has been named Flashlight Athlete of the Week. Ludwig scored a 71-yard fake punt run and chipped in with six tackles in the Mounties loss to Kutztown University.

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# Sayre students enjoy a different side of MU

## *Though students are out of sight they still play role at MU*

by Krissy Dennis  
staff reporter

For close to 200 Mansfield University students, the walk to North Hall and Retan Center and any other campus building is a little longer than for most students.

These students are members of the MU nursing program who attend classes in Sayre Pa. and doing clinical work at Robert Packard Hospital in Sayre, P.A.

Mansfield nursing students are required to attend their first four semesters at Mansfield taking preparatory classes for their major. Once nursing students reach their junior and senior level, they head to Sayre to complete their studies taking on site classes.

The Sayre site has a campus similar to Mansfield and teaches not only nursing students but students of the Allied Health program. The program includes students of Respiratory Therapy, Radiology and Medical Technologies studies, said Judi Carlson, coordinator of student services at Sayre.

"It is a very difficult curriculum," said Janeen Sheeche, chairperson of Mansfield's department of health sciences.

Mansfield is one of ten colleges to participate in the medical technologies program and currently there are close to 80 nursing students and 100 Allied Health students at Sayre. The site expects the numbers to increase in January when more Allied Health students arrive.

According to Sheeche the nursing students in her classes are of good stature and are goal oriented and dedicated. Graduates of the program receive a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing and become eligible to take the state board exam to become a registered nurse.

Before being allowed to attend Sayre, four lab sciences are needed and a background in psychology, ethics, nutrition and human development is required, Sheeche said.

While nursing students do not leave Mansfield till their fifth semester, they begin working with elderly patients at the Tioga Skilled Nursing Facility in the form of clinicals during the second semester of their Sophomore year.

"Clinicals are the essence of the nursing program," Sheeche said.



photo by Brent McCallus  
X-ray students Veronica Kelly and Tina King taking a break from their studies at Sayre school for nursing. Sayre contains nearly 200 Mansfield University students.

After undergoing clinicals at the Tioga nursing facility, students continue working with patients at the Robert Packard hospital in Sayre. Before each clinical day students are required to learn the history of their patient and learn the medication they are on, Sheeche said.

"The clinical experience is outstanding," said Sheeche of the training program at Robert Packard.

According to Tammy Rood, Junior nursing major at Sayre, time is something that is very important to all Sayre students.

"You are always on the run," Rood said.

Tuesdays are usually the busiest days for Rood, with clinical time scheduled from 7 A.M. until 3 P.M. and a three hour class at night.

According to Rood, the classes at Sayre are also more difficult than the ones she took at Mansfield.

Sheeche and Carlson agreed that the nursing program at Sayre has a higher standard of admission than most fields. Students must pass each class with a grade above a C- or they have to repeat the course.

They also believe nursing students have a big advantage over other students by leaving the Mansfield campus to attend Sayre as they share their experiences with other students in their major and are able to focus better on their studies.

"They have an emotional support system at Sayre" Sheeche said.

Although they have academic advantages, sometimes students have a hard time adjusting to the new setting, Carlson said.

"They miss the main campus at times and they miss the typical college scene," Carlson said.

Housing wise, the Sayre campus is similar to Mansfield as all the students are housed in a dorm and as house rules are similar. However, each room has carpeting and a sink, Carlson said.

"It is a nice facility, it really is," said Carlson.

The nursing students also have a meal plan available through the hospital cafeteria and are able to use the gym and swimming pool at the Guthrie Inn.

All the classes are housed in one building and the students purchase books at the MU campus bookstore.

There are also many extra curricular activities for the nursing and medical students and according to Carlson, 90% of the nursing student's activities fees are transferred to the campus for activities such as bowling nights and trips to the mall. They also hold fund raisers and a holiday formal each year.

A new addition this year at the Sayre site is the National Student Nursing Association, a club designed to get students more involved in nursing conventions and aspects of the nursing profession, Carlson said.

Another tradition for the Sayre students is participating in the pinning of the Senior graduates the night before the graduation ceremony. During the ceremony seniors receive their pins, which combine the logos of Mansfield and Robert Packard, and give speeches.

There are still goals that the Sayre campus is working towards, Carlson said. Currently there is no cable available to the students and they do not have their own phones.

"We are trying to expand things," said Carlson of the mail and computer systems.

Registration for the students is much easier than for students on the Mansfield campus, Carlson said. Sayre students only have to stand in line for an hour at the most and any delays that might occur can be dealt with immediately.

Despite being so young (the program graduated it's first class in 1991) the nursing program has been very successful and helps open up opportunities for its the graduates, Carlson said.

"Anyone (Sayre student graduate) who has been seeking employment has found it," Carlson said.

Some graduates have joined the Air Force after graduation, which has an excellent training program and one student was chosen to intern at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, Carlson said. She was chosen out of 100 students to attend the program.

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photo by Brent McCallus

The above building houses nursing students at the Sayre nursing site. Included in the building is a library.

## CALENDAR

### Friday, October 25

1-4pm Free pool at the Rec Desk in Memorial Hall.  
8pm Mansfieldians/Jazz ensemble concert, Steadman.  
10pm Zanzibar at The Hut

### Saturday, October 26

2pm North Hall Dedication ceremony, South Hall mall  
7pm "The Rock" at Allen auditorium.  
8pm North Hall Grand Dedication,

Straughn.

### Sunday, October 27

7pm "The Rock" at Allen auditorium.

### Monday, October 28

5pm General chaos at Flashlight meeting 217 Memorial Hall  
9pm SGA meeting- A previous calendar in *The Flashlight* printed that there was general chaos at that weeks SGA meeting. We were

mistaken. There was not general chaos at that meeting.

### Tuesday, October 29

1pm Ebony discussion hour in MLK Center  
7pm TV club meeting in Allen Hall  
8-10pm "Hang the DJ" on Giant 89

### Wednesday, October 30

7-11pm Pool Tournament hosted by the Student Union in Memorial Hall. Entry

fee- \$1 at the door. Winners by single elimination.

9pm MAC coffeehouse at The HUT  
10-12pm "Mansfield nursing celebration" on Giant 89

### Thursday, October 31

Halloween all day- get a trick, give a treat, and don't eat ear candy  
6pm More chaos as *Flashlight* gets laid out, and fistfights abound.



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## MU and Shippensburg conduct political survey

by Stephanie R. DeNicola  
staff reporter

Last weekend a joint political survey was taken by students of Mansfield University and Shippensburg University.

The survey was overseen by Dr. Richard N. Feil, professor of psychology at MU, and Dr. Gale P. Largey, professor of sociology at MU. Students in the telephone survey class conducted the state-wide survey.

"The amount of people who participated was a lot," Largey said. "All expenses were paid by *Gannet* newspapers."

According to Largey, 1521 people were interviewed for the Mansfield-Shippensburg Poll on the upcoming election as well as several miscellaneous questions.

Feil also said that he was happy with the amount of people who participated.

The survey included questions about political parties and who the interviewee would vote for if the election was held today for President as well as Pennsylvania Attorney General, State Treasurer, and Auditor General. Largey said that the survey was part of a sociological study as well as a political study.

Other questions included whether the President should be a honest or a good leader, the interviewees views on abortion, and would you prefer a dog or a cat in the White House for a pet.

Due to an agreement between MU and SU, the results of the survey will not be released until Saturday. The results will be published in the *Elmira Star Star Gazette* on Saturday and in next week's *Flashlight*.



photo by Megan Sallade

MU student, Rachel Simms, conducts an interview for the survey. The interviews dealt with politics due to the upcoming election. The results of this survey will not be released until Saturday.

## Trustees vote to rename Home Ec Center at meeting

by David O'Brien  
Staff reporter

Several issues of importance were highlighted at the second meeting of the Council of Trustees, held on Thursday, October 23.

Among these issues were reported plans to dedicate the Home Eco-

nomics center in memory of Mr. Simon Elliott.

"He (Elliott) was one of the original founders of the university," Trustee R. John Dunham said.

According to the Council of Trustee's monthly agenda, Elliott was an attorney and founding father of the university who took an active interest in the rebuilding process after the initial struc-

ture burned four years after being built. Once officially dedicated, the building will be known as The Simon Elliott Center.

Trustee Howard J. Smith reported a 6.8 million dollar expenditure for an infrastructure project, which included an upgrade of both electrical and steam systems servicing campus.

In the report presented by Acting Vice-President of Student Affairs, Michael Lemasters, recent construction activity at the site of Manser Hall was concluded when a new chimney was erected to facilitate the conversion from electric use to natural gas.

In the same report by Lemasters, there is a greater attendance of activities by students. A specific example was sighted in that a considerable

amount of students were on record in attendance of the forum presented by Dr. Helen Bibleheimer in the Maple conference room on October 23.

Trustee Thomas A. Bell reported that there are plans to establish a direct link data transfer with the resources of Robert Packard hospital for Mansfield nursing students.

Communications professor Dr. Lee Wright gave a briefing on the Forensics program, of which he heads. The Forensics team currently has eight students participating in the program.

This program includes weekend trips to two day tournaments of speaking where students compete without further opportunity to refine their

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## University considers revising mission statement in spring

Kari Reagan  
staff reporter

Mansfield University's mission statement that has been in effect for the past years will be revised by early next semester.

President Rod Kelchner said that he and the University Planning Committee is reviewing the mission statement to see if changes are necessary. One of the things that may be added is nondiscrimination toward homosexuals.

The mission statement specifies that the university will not tolerate discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, disability, ancestry, national origin, age or sex. This can be found on

page 30 of the *Password*.

"The changes that will be made will not be that dramatic. First we will ask if we are living up to the statement and are there other things that we are doing that could be added."

Kelchner said that the mission statements need to be updated periodically to account for changing social climates.

"Mission statements should be reviewed periodically. The institution is not the same kind of school as it was in 1989-1990," Kelchner said.

Anyone who feels that they are being harassed or discriminated against should contact the Affirmative Action office at 662-4051. The office is located in Pinecrest 113.

## Red Cross Bloodmobile to come to MU on Wednesday, Nov 6

Thomas A. Jones  
Staff Reporter

On Wednesday, November 6 from 11:45 am to 5:45 pm, there will be a blood drive hosted by the Mansfield Student Union in cooperation with the American Red Cross Blood Services, Northeastern Pennsylvania Region in the North Hall Dining Room.

"Mansfield has done very well in recent years, and although sometimes we don't quite make the goal we always come close," said Tom Johnston assistant director of student activities, who has been in charge of Mansfield's part in the Blood Drive since 1985.

According to a Press Release by the Northeastern Pennsylvania Region Blood Services, they must collect between 325-350 units of blood per day. Anyone who is at least 17 years old, weighs at least 105 pounds, and is in good general health is eligible to donate blood. Less than one pint of blood is

taken, and the human body replaces this within 24 hours.

"It can really be frustrating," he said, "when you have a goal of 200 donations, a line of 211 students, and then you wind up with only 196 donations because of deferments."

To donate blood, all that is required is to go to the donation center with your social security number, and be prepared to participate in a few confidential health tests. An individual can donate blood once every eight weeks.

In a bid to increase turnout, the All Residence Hall Council has agreed to donate three \$50 gift certificates redeemable at Wal-Mart. The gift certificates will be raffled off at the end of the Blood Drive.

In anticipation of a successful blood drive, Tom Johnston would like to thank in particular the Fraternities and Sororities that set up and tear down the area. He said that they really make it happen."



photo by Erica Guider

Katie Battle, Jamie Cowles, Ann Vandergoot, and Erica Walls dress up for Halloween



## Campus Voices

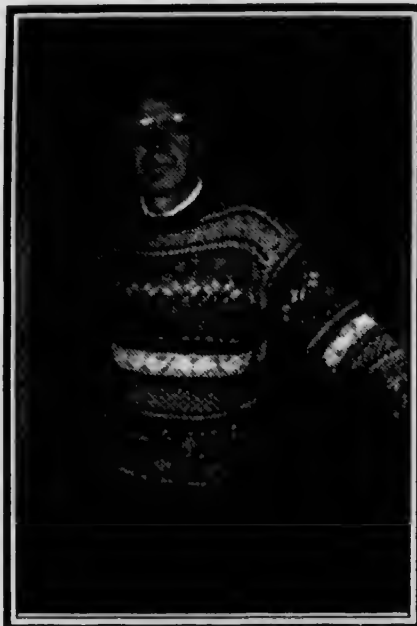
by Brent McCallus and Gene Yeger

"Do you plan to vote in the upcoming election?"



**Carl Polchan**  
Senior

"Yes, I plan to vote because it is my duty as an American citizen."



**Rod Kelchner**  
MU President

"Yes, I will vote. I think it is my responsibility to do it."



**Rustin Kreider**  
Junior

"Yes, I plan to vote because it is something every American should do."



**Lawrence Culver**  
Junior

"I would like to vote but, I don't know the procedures to take to vote because I am from Ohio."

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## Presidential Election fast approaching

by Chris McGann  
editor

On Nov. 5, citizens over the age of 18 will have the opportunity to choose the next members of the state and national government.

Anyone who is eligible to vote and registered in the Mansfield Boro can vote at the municipal building according to Tioga County Voter Registrar Peg

Chilson. Voting will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Voters will be able to vote for the U.S. President; the State Attorney General, Auditor, and Treasurer; the district's representative in Congress; and the district's Senator and Representative in the Pennsylvania General Assembly.

Anyone who is voting in another district must have obtained an absentee ballot. It is due in today.

### Candidates up for election in the borough of Mansfield

#### U.S. President/Vice President

Robert Dole/Jack Kemp (R)  
Bill Clinton/Albert Gore (D)  
Howard Phillips/Albion W. Knight (C)  
Harry Browne/Jo Jorgensen (L)  
Ross Perot/James Campbell (R)  
John Hagelin/Mike Tompkins (NL)

#### Pa. Treasurer

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John D. Famuloro (L)  
Michael S. Klein (R)

#### Pa. Attorney General

Michael Fisher (R)  
Joe Kohn (D)  
Timothy William Collins (L)

#### Representative in Congress

John Peterson (R)  
Ruth Rudy (D)

#### Pa. Auditor

Bob Nyce (R)  
Robert Casey Jr. (D)  
Robert Lord (C)  
Sharon Shepps (L)

#### Senator in Pa. General Assembly

Roger Madigan (R)  
unopposed

#### Representative in Pa. General Assembly

Matthew Baker (R)  
unopposed

Note: R: Republican; D: Democrat; C: Constitutional Party; L: Libertarian; R: Reform Party; NL: Natural Law Party

## SGA discusses election at meeting

Tracy Gay  
staff reporter

On Monday, October 28, the weekly meeting of the Student Government Association was held in 204 Memorial.

The main issue discussed were the upcoming presidential elections. SGA suggested that announcements about the upcoming election be put on the Campus Network channel and on Blue Ridge Cable's announcement channel.

The SGA senator's also expressed their goals that they were asked to come up with at the last meeting.

The senator's goals for SGA were to improve student relations with the organization and to increase the

organization's involvement on campus.

Paper charges were brought up once again. According to Senator Rustin Krieger, it is only a matter of how and when. Paper charges could be as low as an estimated two cents a page.

"The role for students now is to come up with a feasible and reliable plan for how to implement paper charges," Krieger said.

SGA was informed that this year's allotted paper supply has already been expended.

Parents weekend begins the weekend of November 1-2. SGA will have a table at the football game for students to sign up their parents. They can win either a sweat shirt or a window sticker for their car. The prizes will be drawn at half time.

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strategy. At a national forensics competition the Mansfield University Forensics team placed sixth in the nation, which according to Wright, means that our team would be able to compete with ivy-league schools and win.

"Forensics is the art of competitive speaking," Wright said.

The report given by S.G.A. President, Mark Smith discussed a proposal by the Endless Mountains Transportation company which would poten-

tially provide on-campus commercial shuttle services. Another matter of concern voiced by Smith was the possibility of incurring charges for the use of North Hall printing resources.

"The paper supply for North Hall is a very important problem and there is a solution," Smith said.

After adjournment the Trustees went into executive session. According to agenda, the session featured and audit presentation by auditors from the firm of Deloitte and Touche.

## The Flashlight wants you

We would like to invite anyone interested in helping out at the Flashlight. The Flashlight is made up of students like you and we are always looking for people to help fill up that box on the left. So if you're interested, stop by the Flashlight office at 217 Memorial Hall and talk to one of our editors.



# MU student's band releases first album

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

An MU student in the recently formed band *Sodaboy*, released his first punk album entitled *Houdini Bikini* just last week.

The student Robert Thomas, drummer of the band and a senior public relations major, said the band features Christopher Pasko on vocals and guitar and Kevin Rail on bass and vocals. Thomas was brought in on the drums since he and Pasko had played together before.

"Chris and I played together in junior college," Thomas said. "Over the summer we found ourselves in the same garage again. Actually, it was a different garage."

According to Thomas, despite having been with the band since last June, he plays a strong role in the writing of the songs.

"I wrote the lyrics to Responsibility and Me and Greedy Green," Thomas said. "I had the idea to use the sound effects and all the different percussion."

According to Thomas, he isn't the only MU student that played an instrument on this album.

"Rich Squire played trumpet on the song *Spit Valve*," Thomas said.

Thomas said that being in the studio and recording music is not a new

experience for him.

"I recorded with a previous band that I was in," Thomas said. "This was the most pleasurable recording experience for me. We were up until all hours of the morning. It was great."

Thomas said that the actual time in the studio didn't last very long.

"We recorded this album over a three day period," Thomas said. "That's actually a very short period."

According to Thomas, the band has done all of this work with no real practices.

"Someone would come up with a song idea and then we would work on it," Thomas said. "That would be our practice and by the end we would have a new song. We got a lot of help from the lemonade and pixie sticks."

The band released *Houdini Bikini* on their own label Carbonated Records and would like to get signed to a different label some day.

"We'll entertain any offers," Thomas said. "But we're not shopping ourselves around."

According to Pasko, the band will be moving into more musical areas that they haven't explored yet.

"We don't want to be known as just a punk band," Pasko said. "We play music that we like and hopefully you will too."



photo provided

(Left to Right): Rob Thomas, Christopher Pasko and Kevin Rail. The album *Sodaboy*, is currently on sale downtown at *The Other One*.

According to Thomas, the future of *Sodaboy* looks good. They plan to move into some harder punk and ska, but none of the band members are sure about the direction their music will be heading in.

"I love being in *Sodaboy*," Thomas said. "We can only get better. It's onward and upward from here on out."

Brent McCallus, MU junior

and WNTD DJ, enjoys playing the album over the airwaves. He said that the album is a good start for any band.

"It's a good mix of variety but definitely with it's own flavor," McCallus said.

According to Thomas, *Sodaboy's* album *Houdini Bikini* is on sale in CD and cassette format downtown at *The Other One*.

## Women's self defense program teaches useful techniques



photo by Kate Long

(Left to Right): Erica Guider, Paula Hanson, Tracy Holcomb and O. "Sack" Arounsavath. The instructor demonstrating a self defense technique to a student.

by Katie Long  
staff reporter

On Tuesday Oct. 29, a Women's Self Defense Program was held in the Cedercrest Rec Room. The program was sponsored by the Student Activities Office.

O. "Sack" Arounsavath is a New York state karate champion in Tae Kwon Do forms. He has been practicing for over ten years and teaching self defense for over eight years. He was assisted by Paula Hanson who has studied for two years.

"I come practice to protect myself and family and friends," said Arounsavath.

Arounsavath instructed the group in how to defend themselves if they were attacked. He demonstrated situations and how to defend oneself against each type of attack. The group practiced each situation until each person was confident in the move.

Arounsavath stressed surprise as the key element in defense.

"Be ready all the time," said Arounsavath.

He also said that a person does not have to be strong or big in order to

defend herself. Practice and hard work are needed to surprise the attacker.

He also said that the techniques that he showed were not to be used unless the attacker would not back off. The moves shown were not to be used to "pick a fight."

"You can learn lots of things, (but) you should know how to protect yourself," said Arounsavath.

He said that since the attacker is not going to be easy on the person being attacked, she should not be easy on the attacker. In order to protect herself, Arounsavath said it's very important that she use her body.

Arounsavath encouraged the students to attend the classes he holds Thursday nights at the Methodist church across from Mansfield University. The classes are from six to eight in the evening. Women are invited to come even if they just want to observe.

The response from the students was positive.

"I thought it was very good. It will be very useful," said Cheryl Kratzer.

"I feel more confident now. It was very useful," said Stacie McMurtie.

Arounsavath is thinking about holding another self defense program in the spring.

## Alcohol/rape seminar draws big crowd

by Tracy Gay  
staff reporter

Approximately 80 students attended the gender neutral seminar on alcohol and date rape in North Manser on Thursday, October 24.

The program, co-hosted by B.A.C.C.H.U.S. (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning University Students) Gamma and the Mansfield University Advocacy Association, began with a member going over a rape myth sheet.

The member, whose name remains confidential, covered several misconceptions as to how an individual defines rape. One example of this myth is that just because a woman may dress a certain way does not mean she is asking to be raped.

"A lot of people tend to misunderstand what rape is," explained Amy Barrett, vice president of B.A.C.C.H.U.S. Gamma and a member of the Advocacy Association.

Following the myth sheet

Barrett presented her speech on Alcohol and Sex. The main focus of the program was aimed at staying sober and clearly expressing your intentions when with a date.

Both organizations stressed that the topics remain gender neutral.

Members of the audience were reminded that under Pennsylvania Law, one does not have to say "no" for a rape to occur, and in reality nothing has to be said at all.

Members of the Advocacy Association and Bacchus Gamma feel that the seminar went well.

"I wish the people would have gotten more involved in the discussion, but I was impressed with the people who did get involved," Barrett said. "However, I believe not enough people are aware that rape does occur on a campus like Mansfield."

Stephanie DeNicola, the chair of the seminar, is also very enthusiastic about the program.

"Our goal as an organization is to educate the people, and I feel that we achieved this," DeNicola said.

### Correction

A correction from last week is that SGA did not vote on donating \$1000 for a dinner for local families, it was only suggested.

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## Kemp chastises Republicans for abandoning "hero" Dole

WASHINGTON (AP) — Calling Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole a hero, his running mate Jack Kemp expressed disappointment Sunday that fellow Republicans appear to be abandoning Dole in his "moment of need" to focus on Congress instead.

With Election Day looming and Dole still well behind President Bill Clinton in the polls, Kemp also made another plea to Reform Party candidate Ross Perot, beseeching Perot to drop out and throw his support to Dole.

"Ross, I beg you. You should be supporting the one man who can bring about these reforms in America," he said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Perot, who last week rebuffed a direct endorsement overture from the Dole campaign, stressed again Sunday that he is in the race to stay.

"I am urging them (the American people) to vote for us, not for anybody else," the Texan said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Perot spent nearly his entire interview criticizing the incumbent Democratic administration for what he said were ethical lapses. While not endorsing Dole, he said Americans would prefer Dole as the nation's military leader.

"Certainly Senator Dole understands combat," Perot said of the World War II veteran. "He has certainly paid a terrible price, and if you were limited to those two, you'd certainly — I think every American would pick him, because he understands

what he's doing. The other candidate has no experience in military or in combat."

The Dole campaign cast Perot's remarks in the best light.

"I think he's being very positive in telling the American people they have a choice and I'm the better choice," Dole told reporters.

Dole, campaigning in California, is now appealing to Perot supporters themselves, saying, "Don't waste your vote. ... I haven't any quarrel with Ross Perot, but he doesn't have a chance."

In an all-out bid for California's 54 electoral votes — one-fifth of the 270 needed to win the election — Dole was spending nearly four days in the Golden State and planned to return for an election-eve blitz, according to his campaign. Opinion polls show Dole from 8-20 points behind Clinton in California, but the state is critical to his comeback hopes.

"We're going to win the Golden State jackpot on Nov. 5, because we're going to talk about trust and leadership and ethics and things you can count on in a Dole administration that are sorely lacking now," Dole said Sunday.

Clinton, meanwhile, hit the campaign trail again Sunday for a seven-state swing after a Rose Garden ceremony to promote a program that appeals to women voters, a key constituency Dole has had difficulty winning over.

The president announced a \$30 million spending increase for research into the genetic basis of breast cancer, a disease that killed his mother.

"Nothing is more devastating to a family's strength than when someone is diagnosed with a life-threatening disease like cancer. ... I know about this from my own family's experience," said Clinton.

On the road, Clinton planned to emphasize welfare, deficit-reduction and education at stops in Virginia, Tennessee, Missouri, Minnesota, Illinois, Ohio and Pennsylvania before returning to the White House Tuesday evening.

Kemp's displeasure with other Republicans came amid indications that some Republican leaders have written off Dole's chances of catching Clinton and are shifting attention to protecting the Republican majority in Congress.

Kemp expressed "disappointment with some of my Republican establishment friends," calling it disheartening "to hear that some Republicans would run away at this moment of need for a man who has been a hero his whole career."

## Clinton suggests drug test before license, teens laugh

LONGVIEW, Wash. (AP) — Teen-agers here are split on the president's proposal to test teens for drugs before they can get a driver's license, and think most will get around it.

In a weekend radio address earlier this month, President Clinton introduced his proposal and then gave Transportation Secretary Federico Pena and the drug czar, retired Gen. Barry McCaffrey, 90 days to devise a plan.

A straw poll of 18 driver's education students at R.A. Long Thursday afternoon found eight favoring pre-license drug tests, nine opposed, and one neutral.

Some students call Clinton's plan a waste of tax dollars. A few predict that avid tokers, junkies, and fungiphiles will postpone getting their driver's licenses rather than quit.

Others don't like being singled out. "I think adults should have to do it every time they get their license," said Mark Morris High School student Lindsey Ferrell.

Brandy Roberts, 18, chatting with friends outside Mark Morris High School, predicted teens would stay off drugs for a month or so in order to pass the test, then "go get stoned the day they get their license." She estimates that on average, two people in a typical 30-student class are high.

A recent study found that the number of teen-agers admitting illicit drug use rose from 5.3 percent in 1992 to 10.9 percent in 1995.

Shannon Vandehey, 15, wishes police had the technology to test erratic drivers

for drugs along the roadside, just as they can breath-test for booze now. "I don't want to be around drugs, and I don't want to be around anyone using drugs," she said.

"We want that business," commented Eileen Cahill, scientific director for the Corning Clinical Laboratories in Tigard, Ore., which runs 500 to 600 tests per day at an average cost of \$25 per test.

However, she calls Clinton's proposal "ridiculous" because teens would know their sampling dates, just as job-seekers do. "Lawyers call it 'the initial intelligence test,'" said Cahill, who emphasized she doesn't speak for her company. Among job-seekers, only one out of 20 test positive, she said.

A chronic marijuana smoker must abstain six to eight weeks to produce untainted urine, she said. Methamphetamines and cocaine are typically excreted in three days. Most tests don't detect LSD or hallucinogenic mushrooms, which require same-day sampling and special lab protocols, Cahill said.

The Cowlitz County president of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Barbara Norris, says she'd support screening all drivers before license renewal if it weren't for the immense cost. Teen drug tests send the right message, and should be supplemented with treatment, she says.

Kelso student Brad Johnson figures a vacation from cannabis would persuade some peers to live clean. "After a month, they may discover they don't need it anymore," he said. "If you smoke marijuana, a month is a long time."

## Governor Ridge decides to seek re-election in 1998

HARRISBURG (AP) — Calling it "the worst-kept secret" in the capital, Gov. Tom Ridge says he will seek re-election in 1998.

The Republican previously has been non-committal in public statements about his political intentions, but did not equivocate when a reporter asked during an impromptu interview Tuesday. He said he definitely plans to run and does not foresee any developments that would change his mind.

Ridge, 51, is approaching the mid-point of his four-year term as governor. He defeated Democratic nominee Mark Singel, now chairman of the state Democratic Party, in the 1994 election.

Ever since, Ridge's political committee has continued raising money — about \$3 million so far. The committee, called Friends of Tom Ridge, currently has about \$2 million on hand, according to its di-

rector, Laurie Simmons.

The committee held 25 fund-raising events last year and has held 11 so far this year, she said.

"We always wanted to give him the option to run again, should he choose to," Simmons said, adding that she has not discussed Ridge's re-election plans with him. "I think it's a private decision that the governor and the first lady have to make."

Ridge spent \$13 million in his 1994 campaign, and Simmons speculated that he would need a war chest of at least \$10 million in 1998.

This year, aside from being considered as GOP presidential nominee Bob Dole's running mate and stumping for the Dole-Kemp ticket, the governor has focused his political energies on maintaining Republican control of both houses of the Legislature.

## Kangaroo defends harem, attacks golfer

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — A large male kangaroo, probably defending his harem of females, attacked a 13-year-old boy on a golf course.

Steven Shorten suffered a fractured cheekbone and had to have bone fragments removed from behind his right eye after the attack, the Grafton Daily Examiner reported Wednesday.

"He jumped on me and got me down on the ground and started jumping on me and scratching me," Shorten told Channel Nine TV news.

"The kangaroo then got off me and ran away for about five seconds then came straight back at me and jumped on me

again," he said.

The attack, probably by an adult male eastern gray kangaroo, happened Sunday evening on the Grafton golf course, 300 miles (500 km) north of Sydney, according to June Richards, branch coordinator for the Clarence Valley Wildlife Rescue Service.

"It was a very unusual occurrence. It was most probably what a dominant male would do to a younger male to protect his group of females — trying to punch him up," Richards said.

She said eastern gray kangaroos often congregate on golf courses.

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Registration Information Update: For those students who have been inquiring about the Interviewing Course offered last spring as COM 455: the "new and improved" version, offering many of the same components such as composing resumes and cover letters, learning about the business organization, legal issues and exploring employment interviewing, etc. will be offered THIS spring as COM 336. The course is entitled: "Business and Professional Communication." IT IS OPEN TO ALL MAJORS.

Prerequisites to sign up for the course: you must have at least junior standing and have previously completed COM 101 and ENG 112 and/or BUS 130. For additional information contact, Dr. Carrish at ext. 4371 or 307 South Hall.

Mansfield University's "Year of Russia" Committee presents The languages of Russia. Visiting professor Elena Pelikh of Volgograd State University, Russia. Tuesday, November 5, at Manser North Dining Hall. 3:30 p.m.

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There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, November 13 at 4 p.m. in Retan 101 for students and faculty interested in participating in the fall exchange program with Volgograd State University in Russia. Individuals who are interested but who can not attend the meeting should contact the Office of Cross-Cultural Studies in Retan 110 or call ext. 4564.

## FLASHLIGHT

If you are interested in Newspaper reporting, photography, advertising, business or computer experience join the *Flashlight*. Meetings are held Monday evenings at 5:00 in the office, 217 Memorial Hall. Any major is welcome. If you have any questions about what there is an opening in, or what goes on, just give us a call, 662-4986. The search is over, you have found the *Flashlight*, on the Dark Side.

Forum. An opportunity for students and faculty members to discuss issues of interest and importance. Place: Cedarcrest Rec Room. Date: Wednesday, November 6, 1996. Time: 7:30 p.m. Distance Education: What is it? Will it work? Moderator: Matt Gaydos. Discussants: Larry Miller, Susan Sweet, Dennis Wydra.

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## We're all human so let's act that way

The university is finally considering adding the concept of homosexuality to its nondiscrimination policy. This policy on page 30 in the current Mansfield University Password states that the university will not tolerate unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, disability, ancestry, national origin, age, or sex. We at the *Flashlight* feel that this inclusion of sexual orientation in this policy is long overdue.

As with the other criteria (race, color, etc...), sexual orientation is not something that an individual can control. A person can control sexual impulses as well as that person can control any other aspect of the personality. We feel that just because one's sexual orientation points in a certain direction does not mean that they should be treated differently than any other member of society. We are not saying that they deserve special treatment, we're simply stating that discrimination of any kind is foolish and absurd.

True, it is a sad state of affairs when a society has to make a law stating that we all need to act decent toward each other. We, however, have these kinds of laws so these laws need the inclusion of this oppressed minority. Currently, there is no federal law stating that discrimination against homosexuals is unlawful, but several states have these kinds of statutes. We, therefore, feel that perhaps the federal government should follow in Mansfield University's and several state's footsteps and consider the feelings and well being of homosexuals as well as they do all other minorities.

Although we commend the university for considering changes in this vital policy, we feel that this is a change that should have been made years ago. Simply for the reason that homosexuality is something that affects everyone in different ways. Sexual harassment laws and women's rights issues, as well as other laws dedicated to code of conduct, have worked together to stop the unfair treatment in which these minorities have been receiving for many years. We feel that there is no reason why homosexuality should not be included with these groups because they are subject to unnecessary discrimination.

Not only is this problem present in Mansfield University's nondiscrimination policy but the changes that we are applauding need to be made in many other places. Recently, many states have passed laws that state same sex marriages will not be recognized which means that couples are not available for the benefits that many married couples enjoy. The military still discriminates against homosexuals with the "Don't Ask; Don't Tell" policy.

The problem of homophobia has surfaced its head on this campus. There was a period several years ago when a small group of students questioned the validity of a gay and lesbian literature course. In a series of letters to the editor on this issue, both sides of this issue were expressed. There were students who felt that this class should not be taught because it went against what they believed to be moral. Regardless of those expressing their sexual biases, the university proceeded to introduce the course into the curriculum. We approve of this decision 100% simply because it informs those students who are interested of another genre of literature.

Homophobia is not a question of morality but a question of ethics. It simply is not ethical to discriminate against a person because of a person's sexual preferences as much as it is not ethical to discriminate on any other basis. This is why the university needs to include sexual orientation in the nondiscrimination policy. By doing this, they have finally proven to be a conscientious and respectable establishment because of their open-mindedness.

Hopefully, someday this paranoia of homosexuals will disappear. Until then we must continue to make sure that they are treated with the same respect that everyone else enjoys.



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## Student reaction to discovery of possible life in Mars' rock

A massive craze about Mars was promoted by the media this summer, just in time for Hollywood's release of the alien thriller 'Independence Day.' On Halloween some trick-or-treaters modified the original ghost and ghouls costumes to include this alien theme, thus appearing as little green goblins from Mars! Even President Clinton and Pope John Paul II have been focusing their attention on the red planet. What is all this hype about? Scientists have found a potato-sized rock in Antarctica!

This is no ordinary rock however. This discovery of this chunk of stone has prompted evolutionists to believe that life originated on Mars and then came to Earth, and so "we are the Martians we have been looking for all along." The news was exciting to some scientists because it showed what they had expected all along: that life on Earth was not unique, and that man was nothing special. According to evolution, we humans are just another mistake in a long line of cosmic accidents. Furthermore, we have no purpose here.

Before anyone believes this ludicrous suggestion, I suggest we take a closer look at this special rock. Here are a few scientific responses:

1. The chemical's (PAH's) found in the meteorite - supposedly indicating the presence of life - can also be formed from non-life sources. Even one of the scientists involved in researching this rock admitted in a press release that the so-called "fossils" could be the result of mud or contamination from Earth.

2. Most people do not know that scientists in a laboratory in New Mexico (that specializes in researching meteorites) also examined the same rock and said the ratio of certain chemicals in the rock does not indicate life but exactly the opposite!

3. Also keep in mind that scientists have said that the pressure of light - aided by solar flares - would actually send dust particles and spores out from Earth into the solar system. Therefore, it is possible that Mars could be contaminated by Earth's particles.

With all this in mind, we are called to put our faith and trust in a different rock - the "Rock" who created the universe and life on Earth. The same "Rock" also became a Man as Jesus Christ and died for our sins, so that "whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

The Martian rock has since been put in a glass case in the Smithsonian in Washington D.C., where thousands are flocking to see it. It has almost become a shrine for evolutionists. In II Peter 3:3-8 we are told that those who scoff at the Bible are "willingly ignorant" of the fact that God created life. These scoffers do not want to accept that life came from the only life-giver, the eternal "Rock" who should be the foundation of our lives.

What is the Bible's response to the claims about the Martian rock? "Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee." (Deuteronomy 32:18)

Corey L. Gochenaur

## Students complain about parking

(editor's note: Some of this letter was accidentally cut last week.)

In response to the article on campus parking in the September 17th issue of the *Flashlight*, some commuter students are concerned about the effect that this "crackdown" on illegal parking will have on them.

Already, there is a shortage of available commuter parking spaces on campus. To add to this, the streets below the campus are now limited to two-hour parking, instead of the all-day parking that was once available for commuters.

Some have suggested that the university should construct another parking lot strictly for commuters, while others would like to see that all-day parking below campus brought back. Still others suggest that the current lots should be expanded to accommodate more commuters.

Perhaps the use of one or more of these ideas could lead to a fair and reasonable solution. This would be appreciated because a good portion of the commuter students here at Mansfield often have to juggle other responsibilities outside of school, including jobs, families,

etc. Because of this, we find it frustrating to come to school and find that we often have no places to park.

We do sincerely hope that a good plan to solve this problem does come about, because this "crackdown" on illegal parking makes us feel a bit unwelcome here at Mansfield. For other commuters interested in this issue, be sure to look in Memorial Hall on the lower lounge bulletin board for information on an upcoming petition addressing this problem. Gerald T. Bailey Jr.; Ed Richter; Jodi Patterson; Craig A. Cobb; Donna Hammond.



# Commentary

## Halloween-it sure ain't what it used to be



Dave Barry

I love Halloween. It reminds me of my happy childhood days as a student at Wampus Elementary School in Armonk, N.Y., when we youngsters used to celebrate Halloween by making decorations out of construction paper and that white paste that you could eat. This is also how we celebrated Columbus Day, Washington's Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, New Year's, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Armistice Day, Flag Day, Arbor Day, Thursday, etc. We brought these decorations home to our parents, who by federal law were required to attach them to the refrigerator with magnets.

That was a wonderful, carefree time in which to be a youngster or construction paper salesperson. But it all ended

suddenly one day - I'll never forget it - when the Soviet Union launched the first satellite, called "Sputnik" (which is Russian for "Little Sput"). Immediately, all the grown-ups in America became hysterical about losing the Space Race, which led to a paranoid insecurity about our educational system, expressed in anguished newspaper headlines asking, WHY AREN'T OUR KIDS LEARNING IN SCHOOL?" I wanted to answer, BECAUSE ALL WE EVER DO IS MAKE DECORATIONS OUT OF CONSTRUCTION PAPER" but I couldn't because my mouth was full of paste.

But getting back to Halloween: It's still one of the most fun holidays of the year, as well as one of the most traditional, tracing its origins back more than 2,000 years to the Druids, an ancient religious cult that constructed Stonehenge, as well as most of the public toilets in England. The Druids believed that one night each year, at the end of October, the souls of the dead returned to the world of the living and roamed from house to house costumed as Power Rangers.

And thus it is that to this day, youngsters come to our door on Halloween night shouting: "Trick or Treat!" According to this tradition, if we don't give youngsters a treat, their parents will "sue" us. That's why most of us traditionally prepare for Halloween by going to the supermarket and purchasing approximately eight metric tons of miniature

candy bars, which we dump into a big bowl by the door, ready to hand out to the hordes of trick-or-treaters.

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The irony, of course, is that there ARE no hordes of trick-or-treaters, not any more. We in the news media make darned sure of that. Every year we publish dozens of helpful consumer-advice articles, cheerfully reminding parents of the dangers posed by traffic, perverts, poisoned candy, and many other Halloween hazards that parents would never think of if we didn't remind them ("Have fun, but remember that this year more than 17,000 Americans will die bobbing for apples").

The result is that many children aren't allowed to go trick-or-treating, and the ones who ARE allowed out come to your house no later than 4:30 p.m., wearing reflective tape on their Power Rangers costumes and trailed at close range by their parents, who watch you suspiciously and regard whatever candy you hand out as though it were unsolicited mail from the Unabomber.

So for most of Halloween, your doorbell is quiet. This means that you pass

the long night alone, hour after hour, just you and the miniature candy bars. After a while they start calling seductively to you from their bowl in their squeaky little voices. Hey, Big Boy!" they call. We're going to waste over here!"

As the evening wears on they become increasingly brazen. Eventually they crawl across the floor, climb up your body, unwrap themselves and force themselves bodily into your mouth. There's no use hiding in the bathroom, because they'll just crawl under the door and tie you up with dental floss and threaten to squeeze toothpaste in your eye unless you eat them. At least that's what they do to me. By the end of the night my blood has the same sugar content as Yoo-Hoo.

But eating huge amounts of candy allegedly purchased for youngsters is only part of the Halloween tradition. The other part is buying a pumpkin and carving it to make a "jack-o'-lantern," which sits on your front porch, a festive symbol of the age-old truth - first discovered by the Druids - that there is no practical use for pumpkins.

Here's how to make a traditional jack-o'-lantern:

1. Cut a lid on top of the pumpkin.
2. Pull off the lid and peer down into the slimy, festering pumpkin bowels.
3. Put the lid back on and secure it with 200 feet of duct tape.

(This is also the traditional procedure for stuffing a turkey.)

## No action on finance reform

WASHINGTON (AP) \_ In a moment of political candor, Bob Dole explained the long, two-party stall on campaign finance reform: Nobody wants to yield an advantage in future elections.

So the Republicans want any changes tilted their way, as Democrats did when they were running Congress.

Dole's own late-campaign proposals fit the formula. One would restrict labor union spending to influence elections; that money works to Democratic advantage.

"Let me say up front, all of us in politics have been guilty one way or another in campaign finance," the Republican presidential nominee said the other day. "When we're in charge, we want a little better plan for Republicans," he said, and when Democrats were, they tried to help their cause.

Dole said there should be better ways to finance campaigns, and proposed again the creation of a bipartisan commission to draft solutions.

Of course the political establishment already has been there, not done that. President Clinton and House Speaker Newt Gingrich shook hands some 16 months ago on a mutual pledge to appoint a reform commission. It didn't happen. The White House blames the Republicans.

Campaign finance reform arises regularly as an issue and a talking point around election time, then drops down the agenda after the votes are counted. Senate Republicans blocked action on a reform bill this year. The Democrats did no more when they were in control.

"If we're going to preserve the American people's confidence in the system, we need to return campaign finance to

the front burner," Dole said Sunday, as he proposed finance reforms, although he blocked Democratic moves as a senator and hadn't pushed for change as the Senate GOP leader.

Then again, neither has the president, despite Democratic claims to the contrary. He did endorse a reform bill one day before it was blocked by Senate Republicans on June 25. The administration had not pressed for the bill. The Senate decision settled the issue for the year; a House bill was debated and rejected a month later.

Dole's new proposals seemed aimed more at Clinton than at change. He is trying to make a cutting issue of foreign-linked contributions to the Democrats and the president's campaign, calling it scandalous and possibly illegal.

So Dole advocated a ban on donations from anyone who is not an American citizen eligible to vote. Resident non-citizens can make contributions now.

The maneuvering on campaign finance is by now routine, as is the soaring cost of politics. Spending on congressional campaigns has multiplied about six times over since the last time Congress enacted major changes in the system, in 1974, after Watergate.

Presidential nominees get government financing, effectively \$74 million apiece this year. That's supposed to be it, although the rules leave room for political party spending, which is supposed to be generic and not tied to specific candidates, a distinction in theory that blurs in campaign practice.

Dole proposed barring that so-called soft money spending. That is not a winning notion at the headquarters of either party.

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# Out of Context

## Witches I have known and loved

by Ian Kaiser  
unfeared editor

As it is Halloween and I am in a scary mood, I will tell you a story about the Mansfield witches. You probably didn't know that there were ever witches in Mansfield. There were. There may still be. The ones that I knew were here during my freshman year. That would be what ... eight years ago now? Okay, so maybe it only seems like I've been here that long.

I met the witches early in 1994. I had known most of them before, but not in this context. I will disguise the names so that only people who already know the story can figure out who I'm talking about. Not that it would matter, since everyone involved is gone now, but we wouldn't want to destroy anyone's good reputation.

So my friend Tessa introduced me to the girl I would describe as the "leader". We'll call her R. She was the one I got "romantically" involved with. The other two were named K and C. There were also two males involved in the whole scene, D and S. Two more notables involved in this whole story to some extent were my friend Jen and my roommate Bill. I can use their names because they were only indirectly involved and they'd probably like seeing their names in print.

This was an interesting time in Mansfield, to say the least. Dunkin' Donuts was the hangout, and we were often there all night long talking, reading people's Tarot cards, and doing all sorts

of witchy things. Everyone should try staying up all night just hanging out at Dunkin' Donuts at least once in their time at Mansfield. It is what one might call and experience. The witches are optional.

Some very magical things happened during that semester. One memorable experience was the night the Roving Rescue Druids came up from Lock Haven to clean up North Hall. At this time North Hall was still a crumbling scary building. During their frequent seances and circles, the witches felt a lot of bad energy emanating from the old structure. Apparently the evil spirits were stirring. Jen sent an e-mail to her ... ummmm .... well to John in Lock Haven. He and his friends showed up unexpectedly one night to clean out the spirits. These were the infamous Roving Rescue Druids. In any case, they released a horde of dragon spirits (what exactly is the proper term for a collective of dragon spirits? Herd? Passel? Flock?) into the run down building. It seemed to solve the evil spirit problem, but as far as I know, the dragon spirits are still romping around in the basement (Remember all the construction delays? They TOLD you it was due to lead and asbestos...).

Here are some little known facts about Mansfield that I gleaned from the witches. I bet you didn't know that there is a fire salamander spirit bound to the water heater in Pinecrest. D got tired of cold showers in the morning, so he summoned the fire spirit and hooked it up to the heater. He said it fixed the problem. Another well kept secret is that the

graveyard next to Bi Lo has some very powerful spirits living in it. There were apparently several very magical people living in Mansfield at one point, and their spirits are now hanging out with their decaying bodies over in the cemetery. I didn't personally meet any of them, but I have it on good faith that they're there. There was also a rumor floating around for a while about a vampire having moved into the area, and was lurking on the hill up by the water towers or somewhere. He probably either moved on or settled in by now. I doubt he's hanging out in the woods.

So what happened to all these witches? K was somewhat unbalanced. She tried to kill herself with Tylenol, then left school shortly after. R decided not to come back. I think she's somewhere near Reading now. S had trouble with the law and no one really knows where he is now, as far as I know. Last I heard C was going into the army. D graduated and moved to Philly, after a brief stint at Pizza Hut. Bill, Tessa and Jen are the only people from this group who I have kept in touch with, and they were the least witchy of the group.

Life in Mansfield is much less interesting now that the witches are no longer around. I haven't been in Dunkin' Donuts for longer than half an hour in more than a year. I haven't had to put salt on the windowsill to ward off evil in twice as long. And I haven't done more than walk by the graveyard in three years. Things were very different back then. Maybe someday I will find witches again. Witches are fun.

## What to do with crappy Halloween treats

by Meat Kennedy  
editor incorporeal

Remember when you were a kid and Halloween involved more than just trying to drink beer through a latex mask. Remember the joy that would fill your heart when while trick-or-treating friendly neighbors would greet you at their door and bestow upon you a generous amount of sucrose laden goodies. Remember how you would say to yourself: "Man, what a great bunch of folks, I think I'll save my soap for the next neighborhood."

Unfortunately, there would always be those neighbors who had to test the limits of your good will. These were the few totally out of sync people who were either too cheap to buy candy or who thought that you really wanted to go around the neighborhood in the dark

collecting sunflower seeds and religious bumper stickers.

Now of course these chintzy gifts would be apt to cause one to let the T.P. fly, but I say why take the risk of being beaten by an irate businessman who does not fancy how you redecorate his lawn.

I personally am an optimist and like to see the glass half full. That is why I'm suggesting these methods of getting the best out of crappy Halloween treats.

**Crappy treat number one:** Apples. Man, ask any kid if about apples and they'll tell you that they just blow. While healthy, they aren't exactly a good incentive for taking hours to get dressed up. **Remedy:** Take all of your apples and stick them in a jar and let them ferment. After thirty days or so, crack open your jar of potent "apple cider" and drink away any bad feelings you had towards that neighbor (Attention Kids: Don't try

this at home without adult supervision.)

**Crappy treat number two:** Pennies. Needless to say, pennies are not an ideal Halloween treat. Quite literally they'll buy the giver trouble. **Remedy #1:** Take all your pennies and open up an account at the nearest branch of your friendly neighborhood bank. If you save enough, you might be able to buy something special for your mom's birthday. **Remedy #2:** Keep the pennies in your pocket and chuck them at people you don't like (The neighbor who gave the crappy pennies to you in the first place might be a good candidate.)

**Crappy treat number three:** Raisins. Whoopee! I'll agree that there's no better treat than "nature's candy" if you happen to live in the woods and eat pinecones and granola all day. However, for the rest of us who actually live in civilization, raisins are just another crappy treat. **Remedy:** Take your wrinkled little

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Despite the fact that Halloween is already over, the festivities can continue through the weekend. So if you're looking for Halloween Party Hints, Spooky Stories, Virtual Haunted Houses, or anything else that has to do with the season, check out this site.

*The Den of the Dead* is fairly simple looking, but its plain red background and sparse but haunting graphics give it a morbid atmosphere. The links are interesting and varied, leading to many great sites and resources. So carry on with the witching and visit this site.

friends and put them in your household box of Raisin Bran (Remember two scoops of raisins are fun, but three scoops are the best).

**Crappy treat number four:** Plastic spider rings. Sure they're an interesting treat the first time you get them, but once you acquire seventeen of them, they kind of lose their charm. **Remedy:** Melt down the plastic and sell it on the stock exchange (Plastic is currently quite valuable these days).

**Crappy treat number five:** Toothbrushes. Occasionally in your Halloween travels you will wander onto the doorstep of some sod who seems to believe that dental care is what the holiday is all about. **Remedy:** Sorry, I tried and tried to think of one but I could find no redeeming qualities about this treat at all. Feel free to soap this jerk's windows.

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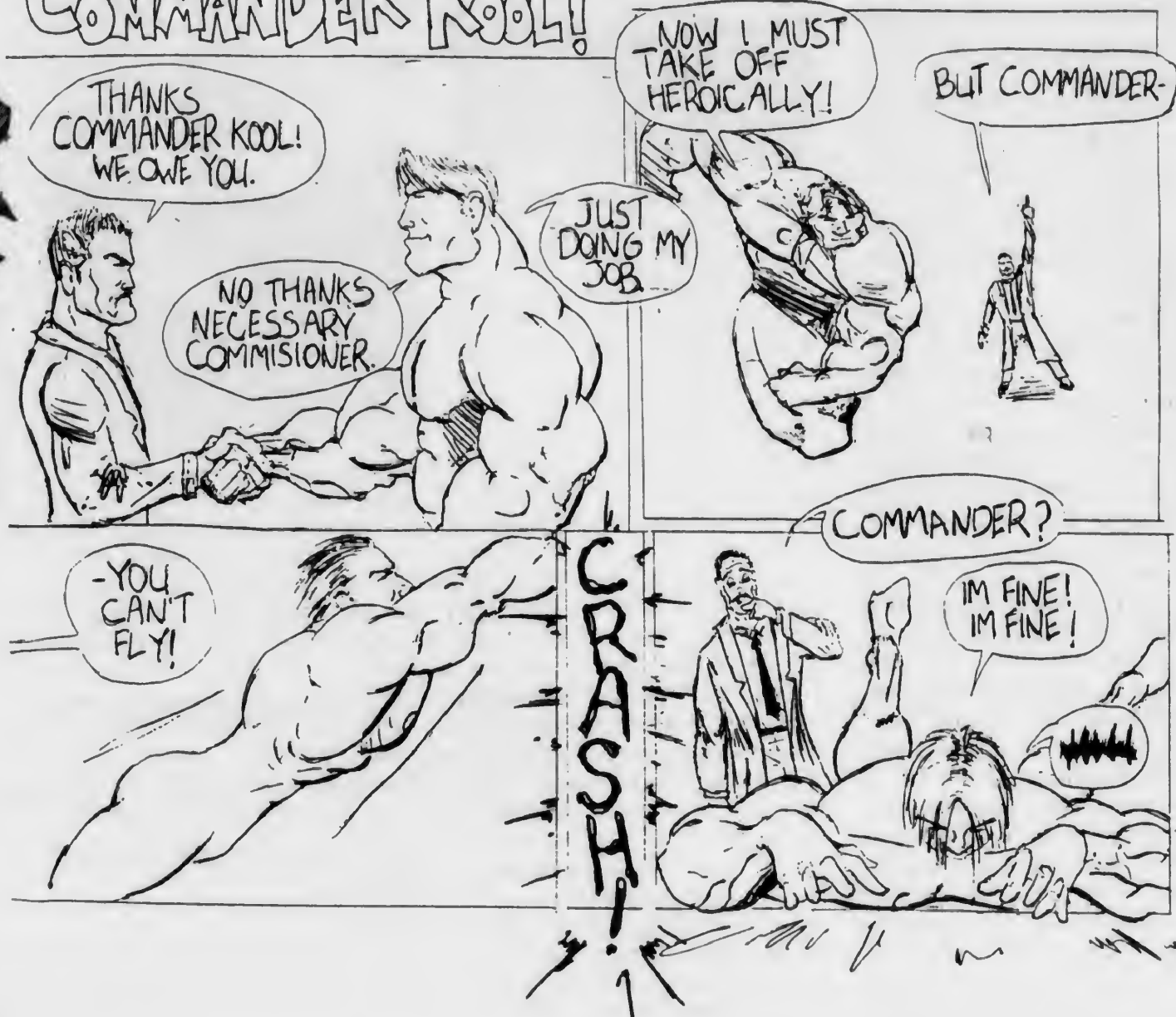
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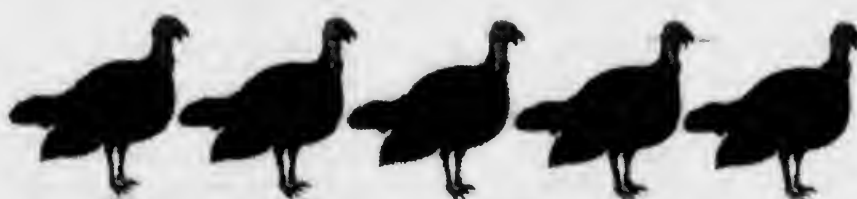
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## West Chester rams the Mountie football team

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The injury bug has once again surfaced to bite the Mansfield University Mountaineer football team.

The Mounties took a devastating 57-0 loss Saturday, October 26 to nationally ranked West Chester University's Golden Rams. This setback not only put the Mounties at 2-6 on the season, but it also caused the loss of some key players.

Sophomore linebacker Jim Ludwig sustained a possible season ending shoulder injury against West Chester.

Senior tight end Joe Povenski left the game with a neck injury, X-rays were negative. Povenski has been practicing this week and will be playing in Saturday's game.

"The football Gods just weren't shining on the team last Saturday," said sophomore running back Dave Banyar.

Other players that have been injured with in the past few weeks include: running back Jason Donadi; offensive linemen Pete O'Connor, Nate Gibson and Tim Savage; nose guard Pat Ginther; defensive lineman Dan Ledebur; defensive back Jeremiah VanOrden and offensive tackle Mark Bristol.

The Mountaineer backfield has also suffered nicks and injuries. Fresh-

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MOUNTIES	0
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man quarterback Lucas Smith and freshman fullback Nate Davis have suffered injuries that have prevented starts.

The Mounties came out of the locker room ready to play. Cornerback Jim Nicholson recovered the ball after West Chester fumbled.

A few minutes later in the game, the Mounties drove the ball seven plays to the West Chester 12 yard line.

A field goal attempt by junior kicker Jason Johnston was blocked turning the tide towards West Chester.

"We just didn't play well and they did play well," said sophomore wide receiver Pete Herchik.

The first quarter saw West Chester ahead by only seven points, but the Mounties couldn't get their running game going. Donadi had an uncharacteristically low 12 yards on the ground.

This marks only the second time all season Donadi has failed to reach the 100-yard marker.

"Our running game just wasn't on Saturday," Herchik said. "We didn't work effectively as an offense."

The end of the game saw the Mountaineers with a 57 point deficit.



Photo by Thad Woodward

Jason Williams finds room against the Golden Rams special teams coverage.

"You can't win the game if you don't score any points," Banyar said.

Nicholson led the defense recording a career high 19 tackles, picking

off two West Chester passes, had a fumble recovery and two pass breakups. Sophomore Matt Hanley satarting at strong safety had 11 tackles, for the second straight week. Richie Karmol had his first collegiate interception last week against the Golden Rams.

Sophomore Jason Williams pulled in four of Smith's passes for 29 yards.

"Our defense played well, they were just on the field way to much," Herchik said.

A young team, the Mounties started off the season with a 18-0 victory over Cortland. Three games later the Mounties were victorious over Lock Haven, 6-3.

This Saturday, the Mountaineers face the East Stroudsburg Warriors at home. Game time is slated for 1 p.m. at Karl Van Norman Field.

## Mountaineers return home to face offensive powerhouse

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team returns home this week to face the Warriors of East Stroudsburg University.

The 5-2 Warriors bring one of the PSAC's highest rated offenses into Karl Van Norman Field. East Stroudsburg's passing attack is the best in the league. The Warriors are led by junior quarterback, Damian Poalucci, who has 2,572 total passing yards and 27 touchdown passes. He is the league leader in total offense averaging over 380 yards per game.

"The only way to stop East Stroudsburg is to stop their outstanding passing attack," said Head Mountaineer Football Coach Joe Viadella. "So far, nobody has done that except for Slippery Rock and the weather helped them out a lot. We need to keep our offense off the field as long as possible."

Mansfield's senior safety and co-captain, Jim Nicholson had a huge game last week against West Chester. He and the rest of the Mountaineer secondary will have to come up big against Poalucci and the Warriors' corps of the league's top receivers.

The Warrior defense is ranked 11th in the PSAC. They give up 412 yards a game.

The Mounties were blanked last week. West Chester's stingy defense held the Mounties scoreless. Mansfield will have to turn their game around and put up a lot of points this week to keep pace with the high-powered Warriors.

Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith ranks eighth in total offense in the PSAC for the Mountaineers. He has completed 67 of 137 passing attempts for 910 yards. Smith must come on strong for the Mounties this week for Mansfield to be competitive.

Jason Donadi, Mansfield's premier running back, will have to resume his winning ways. Last week Donadi was held to 12 yards on 13 carries.

Donadi has been held to under 100 yards only twice this season.

Once again, the Mansfield defense will be under tremendous pressure. In the Mountie's six losses, the defense has given up 327 points. In their two wins they have only allowed a field goal.

If the Mountie defense gives up points early, Smith and Donadi will have to have career days to keep Mansfield close.

It will, however, be difficult for the Mountaineers to pull together since they have suffered a multitude of injuries at key positions.

The Mountaineers are currently 2-6 and are staring at a huge PSAC East divisional match-up. This game would be a huge victory for the underdog Mountaineers.

Game time is set for 1:00 p.m. at Karl Van Norman field.

### Flashlight Athlete of the Week Jim Nicholson



Jim Nicholson has been named Flashlight Athlete of the Week. Nicholson recorded a team high 19 tackles, picked off two interceptions, had a fumble recovery and two pass breakups in the Mounties game against West Chester.

### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	179	67	.374	910	1	9	9
M. Keating	44	23	.523	218	0	0	14

Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
				J. Donadi	203	717	3
J. Donadi	21	160	0	D. Banyar	12	47	0
M. Hanley	2	50	0	L. Smith	53	132	3
N. Davis	16	273	0	L. Brannon	56	199	3
L. Brannon	3	14	0	N. Davis	4	14	0
M. Brezovech	3	58	0	J. Ludwig	3	71	1
P. Herchik	12	223	0				
B. Woodward	6	79	0	<b>Punting</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds.</b>	<b>Av.</b>
J. Povenski	13	151	0	M. Hanley	59	2070	35.1

Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	5	96	0				
C. Morrison	1	9	0				
J. Ludwig	1	1	0	<b>Kickoff Returns</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>
M. Hanley	1	8	0	L. Brennon	16	226	0
M. Williams	1	1	0	D. Banyar	5	95	0
				J. Williams	14	227	0
				J. VanOrden	1	5	0
				R. Entrot	1	10	0

Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD	<b>Tackle Leaders: Nicholson (45) M. Williams (33), J. , J. Kargbo (30), M. Guzevich (30), C. Morrison (28) J.J. Cleaver (28), J. Ludwig (25), M. Hanley (23) R. Karmol (21) R. Entrot (19) , J. VanOrden (18),,</b>			
J. Williams	9	59	0				
J. Curto	1	5	0				

**Sacks: Joel Kargbo (3-34yds), Jim Ludwig (1-8yds), Matt Guzevich (1-6yds), Joe Scriba (.5-6 yds)**

Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	3	0-0					20
J. Johnston					6-8	4-6	18
L. Brannon	3						18
J. Donadi	3						18
J. Ludwig	1						6

Sacks: Joel Kargbo (3-34yds), Jim Ludwig (1-8yds), Matt Guzevich (1-6yds), Joe Scriba (.5-6 yds)



# Ehrlacher plays key role with Mountie field hockey

by Jackie Williams  
sports reporter

In athletics, it is the superstar that everybody reads about. It is the superstar that gets his or her picture taken after every game. It is the superstar that is the focus of everyone's attention.

What is never written about is the role players that everyone on the team respects, but no outsider ever notices. They are not the superstars that everyone talks about.

Mansfield University Mountaineer field hockey goalkeeper Missy Ehrlacher is the type of player that every coach wishes to have on their squad. She is a team leader and a motivator. However, she isn't in the goal cage at the beginning of the game and sometimes she doesn't even get into the game



photo provided  
Missy Ehrlacher, senior goaltender, is described as a team leader on the club at all.

Many athletes would have given up in such a situation, but Ehrlacher has been a back-up goalkeeper to her fellow

senior, Robin Adams, for four years. What she does for the Mountie field hockey team is measured in more than minutes played.

"My role is not on the field," Ehrlacher said. "I try to be a leader and help our team to improve. The girls need to see me there, they need to hear me on the sideline."

According to field hockey coach, Vickie Sax, one of her goals this year entailed trying to re-build the trust and faith of her players. Ehrlacher was instrumental in accomplishing this.

"She knew exactly what her position was and took on the key role in regenerating our team spirit," Sax said. "She gave everyone a chance to improve and gave them confidence enough to believe they could. She definitely brought out the best in people."

Ehrlacher is sometimes affectionately called "the mom" by her teammates. According to freshman Alyssa Gates, Ehrlacher acquired her nickname because she is so positive and supportive.

"She is so into it all the time, telling us who we need to mark defensively, what to do in certain situations,

where to be," said Gates. "Missy keeps pushing and has helped me so much."

Ehrlacher is said to be the complete role model. According to Sax, she is not the most gifted athlete or student but works harder than most and does exactly what is expected of her.

In the classroom, Ehrlacher has a 2.99 overall QPA with dual majors in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Development. She also volunteers her time to help Mansfield University in hosting the Special Olympics.

Senior co-captain Elizabeth Bricker describes Ehrlacher as an impact person.

"No matter what position she is in, whether it is on or off the field, her positive attitude and determination have helped me out so much," Bricker said. "I have admired her attitude throughout the last four years."

Ehrlacher isn't a superstar. She is a role player, but it isn't an easy role to shoulder, nor is it a position than anybody could excel at.

"It takes a special kind of person to do what she has done for four years," Sax said. "We need to have more people like her in the world."

## Vosburgh earns top honors with cross-country team

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

Physical stamina, determination, and perseverance is the name of the game in the sport of cross-country. This definition fits Mansfield University senior cross-country runner Dana Vosburgh.

"When I run, I don't slow down. I focus on the leaders, slowly reel them in and then I pass them at the end. I try to maintain my pace as much as possible so I have enough energy to finish well," said Vosburgh.

Throughout his time as a Mountaineer, Vosburgh has made quite a name for himself throughout the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. He set the stage as an ideal competitor last season alone when he set a few school records in addition to his vast line of acknowledgements.

Vosburgh was co-captain for his team and finished 15th in the PSAC championships in 1995. He also earned All-PSAC recognition for his accomplishments and performance.

"By dedication and natural ability, Dana has worked himself into being one of the best runners in the Pennsylvania Conference," said Mansfield University head cross-country coach Jim Taylor.

Last season, Vosburgh was cross-country MVP for MU, and All-ECAC in the 1,000 meter run where he holds the school record of 2:36:40. He was also a member of the school record of the 3,200 meter relay team.

"I like to be the leader and help out the other runners. I try to handle the lead the best I can, but I would like to have all the other runners work better as a team," said Vosburgh.

Even though Vosburgh competes in many different meets throughout the season, there is one in particular that he feels he performs the best in.

"At the SUNY-Genesee meet in NY I run against many people I know and went to high school with. I feel that I do well each year I go. It's like it is a turning point in the season for me," said Vosburgh.

Vosburgh has enjoyed his college cross-country career while at Mansfield University, but he feels that the team needs some improvements in the amount of runners that come out for the

team each season.

"The program here at MU is good, but it definitely needs to grow. We need more runners. In all, though, coach Taylor is a good coach. Cross-country is a lot of hard work," said Vosburgh.

Among his other accomplishments so far this year, Vosburgh has tied for first place with Mansfield University's Randy Stroble in the 12th Annual Baptist Bible College Cross Country Invitational in early October, and he finished 12th place at season opener at SUNY-Brockport.

"For me, this season has been the best yet considering my placements in the meets. It's more of a challenge this year, and it's been harder on me physically. I've had more aches and pains," said Vosburgh.

On November 2, the Mansfield University Cross-Country team will be competing at the PSAC meet at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. November will mark the last meet of the season.

"For the upcoming meets, I hope to be in the top five. First place isn't really an expectation, but I'd like to be right up in the front of the race," said Vosburgh.

## Cross-country to compete at PSAC

by J.P. Fella and J. Wilson  
sports reporters

This past weekend the Mansfield University Cross Country team competed at Bloomsburg University against Lock Haven and Bloomsburg.

Top finisher for the Mounties included Dana Vosburgh who came in second overall with time of 22:03 for the men in the four mile run.

Other solid performances for the men included Mike Lane who finished 13th with a time of 23:34 and Randy Stroble, 14th with a time of 23:42.

Jill Barron gave a solid performance for the Mountie women coming in 10th place with a time of 15:33 in the four km run. Closing in right behind her was Colleen Ryder with a time of 15:40.

Other top performers in-

cluded Jamie Carpenter who finished 13th with a time of 15:50.

This weekend the Mounties will travel to Indiana University of Pennsylvania to compete in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference competition.

"I expect big performances from freshmen Jill Barron and Colleen Ryder. I am also hoping that Dana Vosburgh and Randy Stroble will improve from last years performances", said head cross country coach Jim Taylor.

This will be Kolleen Bogutskie and Mike Murphy's last conference meet. They are both Co-Captains on this years team.

One concern Taylor has going in to this weekends meet is the injury to Mike Lane, who has a strained hamstring.

"If Mike does not get better by the weekend his absence would hinder the teams chances for a strong performance", said Taylor.

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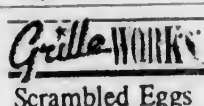
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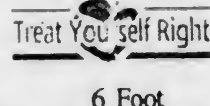
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Welcome Family & Visitors!



# City battles over halloween outsiders coming in

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Ghosts are drifting through the Port Richmond section of the city this Halloween season, scaring up a terrific drama over a photocopied flier and the unorthodox plan it promotes to keep "outsiders" from the neighborhood.

These ghosts left the declarations in the dark of the night last week and disappeared. But the impact of the words is reverberating throughout the city as social workers blanket the neighborhood among allegations of racism.

"There are a lot of people who are embarrassed, to say the least, by what was said in that anonymous letter," said Kevin Vaughn, head of the city's Commission on Human Relations. "Clearly they were trying to inject something into the community about them and us."

"But what goes through a racist mind? Who knows?"

The letter, written in a carefree, neighborly manner, suggested that the working-class families in a six-square block area celebrate Halloween a night earlier this year.

The reason?

"Large groups of people from other neighborhoods coming here on Halloween for candy."

Although there is great debate in the neighborhood about the underlying

meaning of the letter — a lack of candy, safety concerns, racism — there are a few facts that most of the folks who live in the brick rowhomes agree upon.

For one thing, traffic from other neighborhoods has been increasing in recent years, residents said. Last year a school bus dropped off a load of children in a local parking lot and several vans were seen dropping off trick-or-treaters.

It's not that hard to tell who's local and who's not. Port Richmond is almost all white. Many of those getting off the vans were black and Hispanic.

Residents for the most part accepted the unfamiliar faces over the years. Halloween is Halloween, many said. They were mostly younger kids who showed up in costume and were well-behaved. But last year, said longtime resident Pat Basiura, 61, the local children started getting hassled by unclothed teenagers.

"That's when we noticed the little kids being pushed, the bags being stolen, the people urinating on everything" she said, broom in hand on a sunny afternoon last week. "It just got out of hand."

So this year, some residents began talking about taking care of the neighborhood kids. At first the ideas were about small block parties and then the plan for an organized day-early event

took hold. Copies of the flier announcing the plan were left on windshields and put through mail slots.

None of the residents seem to think it was a racist ploy from the beginning.

But when a local newspaper columnist wrote about it, the word race invaded the neighborhood. The Daily News headline was "Looks like racism in Halloween costume." The column angered a lot of people in this ward of about 32,000 on the edge of the Delaware River.

"It's a mess now," said Anne Marie Gillespie, who like many in Port Richmond was born and raised here. She still lives in her childhood home. "The original message? Who knows. All I know is they've ruined Halloween. They've ruined it for the kids."

An informal tour of Chatam Street, one of those papered with the fliers, found the sentiment that efforts to "take care of their own," as one woman put it, were being misinterpreted.

"It's something that is completely blown out of proportion," said Vicki Curran, a bag of groceries in her hand, including some holiday goodies.

Still it was difficult to get a true sense of exactly why the letter was distributed at all. For some it was economic (they take all the candy and there's none left for our kids). Others cited security and

safety concerns.

Mostly, residents talked about the change in attitude of the Halloweeners.

"They're looking for trouble, that's what they're here for," said iron worker Jerry McCormick. "If you can't have Halloween in your neighborhood, well that's a shame. We don't mind the kids with their parents. We're talking about the ones that come over, not in costume, who push in line and demand candy."

"I don't think the average working guy has time for racism. What everybody wants is just to celebrate Halloween with their own kids."

The official line in the neighborhood now is that the holiday will be celebrated on the traditional night, Oct. 31. But at least one group of kids suggested that plans were still being laid to collect candy a night earlier.

Debra Speiser, 18, said what few would: "It's a free county. They can go wherever they want — as long as they don't stay."

A block away, Gillespie stood on Chatam Street and looked out at the well-kept houses. Each seemed to cry out for Halloween visitors with their costumes and masks.

"Now who knows if we'll even have Halloween?" she said. Halloween is October 31st.

## Fans visit Edgar Allen Poe's grave for Halloween

BALTIMORE (AP) — The telltale heart of Edgar Allan Poe is beating ever more loudly for the fans who visit his grave in Baltimore.

The author of "The Raven," "Telltale Heart" and other macabre tales was buried here in 1849, but he's packing them in like never before.

With a lift from the new NFL Baltimore Ravens, visits to the poet's grave are up 50 percent.

Westminster Preservation Trust Director Mary Jo Rodney expects 1,000 people at the grave this Thursday — its largest Halloween crowd ever.

"That's the sort of thing people look for around Halloween," said cemetery tour director Lu Ann Marshall, who called Halloween the graveyard's biggest night. "With the Ravens, everyone's Poe-happy now," she said. "He's our big



draw."

The cemetery has seen a dramatic increase in visitors since the football team named itself in honor of Poe, Rodney said. In the past 12 months, the cemetery and church, called Westminster Hall, will have drawn about 15,000 visitors.

Many Poe aficionados have visited in recent weeks, especially near the date of his Oct. 7 death.

"Dear Edgar, Happy Halloween and may you rest in peace," wrote "Simon from Australia."

Notes are left at Poe's two monuments in the cemetery, a large one in the front,

where he's buried with his wife and mother-in-law, and a smaller one in back that marks where he was originally buried, with a raven carved into the stone.

Because of Poe's popularity, the trust has launched a \$35,000 renovation to reverse some of the damage that time has done to the cemetery.

The restoration project enlisted the help of architect James Arnold and stonemasons at Aldo Construction Co. to restore nearly 50 tombstones and ledgers that are in fragile condition. The work began this month and will take five weeks to complete.

## Halloween organizers say there's nothing to worry about

HAVERHILL, Mass. (AP) — Celebrants will form a circle and invoke the dead, but there will be nothing sinister about the pagan celebration of the "Samhain" holiday on Halloween, organizers say.

"We'll be remembering our ancestors and loved ones who have passed on to the other world," Lynn Dube said.

"Not the under world," she stressed. "The other world."

The City Council, with a 5-3 vote last month, allowed the celebration at Plug Pond this Thursday after organizers sought to convince councilors and residents that they would not be worshipping the devil, sacrificing animals or doing anything else befitting Hollywood-

style Halloweens.

"If we really were, would we be going before the city council asking permission?" Dube asked.

Dube and her husband, Ed, are practitioners of the Wiccan religion and owners of the business Magick 'n' Mail, which sells items used in pagan rituals.

They said they were asked by other practitioners to organize a celebration of the Wiccan new year. Plug Pond was chosen because the religion is nature-based and outdoor ceremonies are preferred.

"If anyone is expecting witches flying on broomsticks and light bulbs flaring on our fingertips, go rent 'Hocus Pocus' because they're not going to see

it there," she said.

City Councilor George Dekeon voted against the ceremony, saying he does not support pagan activities.

"Needless to say, I understand the separation of church and state and freedom of religion," he said.

William Pillsbury Jr. told the city council that pagan rituals were not what the U.S. Constitution was trying to protect by its separation of church and state.

Dekeon said he was also concerned the park's restrooms wouldn't be adequate. The Dubes said they originally expected between 50 and 100 people, but now anticipate a larger crowd because of the attention.

Linda Dube briefly considered cancel-

ing the event after receiving a written threat that "implied harm" if the ceremony went forward.

But, she said, "I don't harm anyone or anything and no one's going to tell me that I can't do it."

Police said they would be in the park to ward off any trouble.

Organizers said they would begin the 30- to 40-minute ceremony at 6pm.



## CALENDAR

**Sunday, November 3**

8:00 PMTA in Steadman Theatre.

**Monday, November 4**

Registration for Spring Semester Begins.

**Tuesday, November 5**

1:00 Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK Center. Presenter Ronald Smith. Affirmative Action Officer on the Status of Affirmative Action.

**Wednesday, November 6**

11:45 to 5:45 Red Cross Blood Drive in North Dining Hall.

7:00 Pool Tournament in Memorial Hall.

9:00 MAC Coffehouse at the HUT

**Thursday, November 7**

1:00 International Discussion Hour in MLK Center. Topic: Disapora and Social Attitudes: The Melting Pot Theory.

1:00 First Search (faculty only) Workshop in 429 North Hall. Sign up at library reference room information desk.

**Friday, November 8**

Noon Wrestling away at Ithaca Invitational.



4:00 Spring Festival in Steadman Theatre.

10:00 Zanzbar at the HUT.

**Saturday, November 9**

Noon Wrestling away at Ithaca Invitational.

Football away at Cheyney.

Cross Country away at Regional NCAA-Slippery Rock.

8:00 String Festival in Steadman Theatre.



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## Survey results are consistent with the actual returns

by Stephanie R. DeNicola  
staff reporter

If survey results are any indication, Clinton's reelection was not surprising to the people of the surrounding area.

According to a telephone survey conducted two weekends ago by students from Mansfield University and Shippensburg University, a majority of those polled were Clinton supporters, said MU poll supervisors Dr. Richard N. Feil, MU professor of psychology and Dr. Gail

P. Largey, MU professor of sociology. At SU the poll was advised by Dr. Sara Grove.

The MU survey was part of a telephone survey class taught by Feil and Largey.

Those polled were asked questions including who they favored in last Tuesday's national and state elections, said Dr. Gail P. Largey, MU professor of sociology and supervisor.

"Mansfield students were almost right on the button," Largey said.

Of the 1521 polled, the exact

results of the survey were that 49.2% favored Clinton, 40% favored Dole and 9.6% supported Perot and 1.2% supported other candidates, Feil said. The actual popular vote was close to these results.

The Mansfield-Shippensburg Poll also correctly predicted the winners for Pennsylvania Attorney General, State Treasurer, and Auditor General.

The results were published in the November 2 issue of the *Star Gazette* newspaper of Elmira, N.Y. and all expenses were paid for by Gannett news-

papers, the corporation who own the paper, Feil said.

At both schools, the poll was conducted through telephone interviews. MU students conducted over 1000 telephone surveys, while SU students surveyed about 500, Feil said.

While many other preelection polls predicted a double-digit lead for President Clinton over contender Bob Dole, the Mansfield-Shippensburg poll found the lead to be single-digit, according to a press release from Feil and Largey.

## 163 units of blood donated to Red Cross on Wednesday

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

This semester's Mansfield University American Red Cross blood drive, which took place on Wednesday, November 6 had a good turnout but fell short of its goal.

"Of the 184 who registered, 163 were productive," said Tom Johnston, MU student union director, who has been in charge of Mansfield's involvement in the blood drive since 1985.

According to Johnston, there were 11 unfilled bags, 10 deferred students and 26 first time donors.

The blood drive, which was hosted by the Mansfield University Student Union in cooperation with the American Red Cross Blood Services Northeastern Pennsylvania Region, gathered 163

units of blood.

Angeline Dick, a junior Political Science major, took time out of her schedule to donate blood despite being a little anxious.

"I was a little nervous at first, but once I got involved with the testing and the forms I was fine," Dick said. "I went to [the blood drive] because my roommate wanted me too, but I also wanted to do it."

Johnston said that despite falling short, that the result was positive and in the tradition of the past few blood drives.

"Mansfield has done very well in recent years," said Johnston.

Johnston also said that a lot of help for the event came from local fraternities and sororities.

"The fraternities were there to set up and tear down the area," Johnston



photo by Erica Guider

An MU student donates blood to the American Red Cross' blood drive.

said. "The sororities donated about one hour and fifteen minutes each to cover the entire drive."

The All Residence Hall Coun-

cil also donated three \$50 gift certificates for Wal-Mart which were given away as prizes.

## Psych Club shows *The Wall*

by Chris McGann  
editor

The Psychology Club presented the classic film, Pink Floyd's *The Wall*, in Allen Hall on Thursday.

"The lead character had everything dumped on him," psychology professor Dr. Dennis Murray said after the movie. "He can't function and eventually turns back on himself."

*The Wall* is about a fictitious rock singer named Pink who sits in a hotel room for most of the movie and reflects back on his life.

The rocker eventually goes crazy while remembering traumatic moments.

The movie is based on events in the lives of, Roger Waters and Syd Barrett, former members of the Pink Floyd.

The movie includes flashbacks to Pink's father's death in World War II, his overprotective mother, his marriage, and the final culmination in which he destroys a hotel room in front of a groupie.

All of this leads him to build

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## Guideline Celebrity auction to be held Saturday, Nov 9

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

On Saturday, November 9 the information and referral service, Guideline will hold their 12th annual Celebrity Auction to raise funds for the operation of their service.

Items available at the auction are celebratry collectables. The auction will be held at the Mansfield Volunteer Fire Department on South Main Street in Mansfield.

According to Lisa Sekellick, Celebrity Auction Coordinator for Guideline, this year's auction will be the biggest ever as far as the amount of items up for bid go.

"This year we're looking at about 260 items as opposed to the 50 or 60 items we had in 1984 when we started," Sekellick said. "Every year the amount of people we have show up for bidding goes up by about ten people."

According to Sekellick, items will range from autographed photos to objects donated by celebrities.

"We have a carved wood

plaque of Beaver Stadium autographed by (Penn State football head coach) Joe Paterno," Sekellick said.

According to Sekellick, one of the problems that occurs at the auction is people are unwilling to come because they are afraid the prices may run too high.

"We have had items go for around \$160," Sekellick said. "The average price we get for a single item is usually \$20 to \$25."

Sekellick said that there are many reasons to come to the auction beyond the auction itself.

"There is no admission fee, there will be food and we will have door prizes," Sekellick said.

According to Sekellick, this auction is Guideline's only source of income.

"This is our single annual fundraiser," Sekellick said.

Doors open to the public at 1 p.m.

The number for Guideline Information and Referral in Blossburg is 1-800-332-6718.



The MU band performs at halftime of the football on parents weekend. The weekend also included a creative arts symposium, North Hall tours, and a music faculty concert.

**Correction:** Last week, the Flashlight printed one of the Trustee's names incorrectly. Mr. Dunham's name is John Dunham, not R. John Dunham.



## Campus Voices

by Katie Long

"Did you give blood on Wednesday?  
Why or Why not?"



Rosie Pagan  
Freshman

"No, because I was sick. I have given blood before, though."



David Hall  
Sophomore

"No, I need all the blood I've got."



Ronda Patterson  
Junior

"No, because I wasn't here on Wednesday."



Mike Murphy  
Junior

"I intended to."

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## Paper Charges discussed by SGA

by David O'Brien  
staff reporter

Plans to counter the cost of high volume printing in North Hall was the main topic of discussion at the Monday meeting of the Student Government Association.

SGA formed a special committee to assess the problem of printing costs in the university library. Senator Rustin Kreider presented a report which stated that students should expect to see the paper charges in place around the middle of the spring 1997 or fall 1997 semester. The most possible course of action will entail incurring a charge of \$.03 per page printed at library facilities versus the average of \$.10 at other universities.

The posting of a memo on all library printers was proposed in education of proper printer use, a rough draft of which will be available before winter

break. Other possible options under consideration were a paper quota per student and a flat fee for computer paper.

"The Provost would rather not see a flat fee. The solution shouldn't be more than the problem," said Kreider.

Another item discussed in the meeting was a recent food drive conducted by Lambda Chi Alpha. The project collected 2,000 pounds of food, which had been donated to a local charity.

SGA also reported a recent reimbursement of \$200.00 to campus radio station WNTE for their losses in a mid-semester theft of equipment.

Finally, the issue of campus security was brought up when it was reported that the university is planning to develop a campus escort program. This program would provide an escort for those students who are reluctant to walk along campus at night.

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a mental wall and distance himself from society. When Pink's managers finally find him in the room and drag him to the concert, he begins to realize that he has Nazi-like control over his fans. Finally, he must face his life in "The Trial," the final sequence of the film.

Murray said that the fan control theme runs throughout the movie. He said that the survivor theory of psychosis is that the insane person needs to be insane for a time in order to get better

and that controlling the insane person through drugs or therapy can only make the person worse.

At times during the movie, Pink is controlled by his mother, his wife, his teacher, his manager, and his drug dependency.

In the end, Pink finally has the wall torn down to the song "Outside the Wall."

"This song sums up the entire movie," said Perry Costello, another audience member. "It represents him (Pink) rejoining society."

## Inmate and his girlfriend, charged with drug dealing

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — A convicted drug felon has been accused of running a cocaine and marijuana business with his mistress from behind bars.

Sheldon Culbreath, 43, already serving time on a parole violation, and Barbara McGough, 40, of Audubon, were held on \$1 million bail each after their arrests on drug, conspiracy and racketeering charges, prosecutors said Monday.

Culbreath had hoped to retire from dealing later this year, investigators said. "He was building a nest egg," First Assistant District Attorney Bruce L. Castor Jr. said.

Charges also were filed against Jane Keck, 37, of Spring City in Chester County, who was released on bail and is cooperating with authorities, and Eilene Morgan, 41, of Pottstown, who remained at large.

Culbreath used his prison phone time — and intimidated other prisoners into giving him theirs — so he could call McGough and give her instructions on selling cocaine to Keck and Morgan, Castor Jr. said.

Castor said authorities received a tip from a recently released inmate whom Culbreath had threatened in an attempt to make the man work as a drug courier once outside prison.

Authorities seized \$140,000 in cash and cars as well as \$25,000 in drugs, most of it a stash of cocaine found in a car trunk, he said. Castor estimated the drug operation has generated \$500,000 in gross receipts over several years.

Among the evidence was a letter from Culbreath instructing McGough to send money to his wife.

Investigators wiretapped McGough's phone and phones in a prison visiting room that McGough and Culbreath used to talk to each other on Oct. 26.

"It was just a really incriminating conversation," Castor said.

Investigators got court permission from McGough to tap the prison phones after she realized that detectives were trailing her on the first day of surveillance, he said.

Authorities also seized evidence from a storage locker in Oaks. After police told Culbreath's wife that he had a girlfriend who was helping him deal drugs, the wife tipped investigators to another storage locker her husband used, Castor said.

It was at the second locker that police found two pounds of marijuana and \$130,000 in cash, according to Castor.

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# Internationally known pianist plays to full house



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Internationally known concert pianist Fernando Laires, played to a full auditorium last Friday at Steadman Theater.

## Distance education discussed at forum

by Thomas A. Jones  
Staff Reporter

A forum concerning the Distance Education program and its future at Mansfield was held Wednesday in the Cedarcrest Recreation Room.

Susan Sweet, of the Mansfield University continuing education department, began the forum by introducing the crowd to the concept of Distance Education and by offering an explanation of it.

"There is a wide range of what people conceive Distance Education as being. A wide variety of definitions," Sweet said.

According to Sweet, Distance Education is a program where college students take classes at other universities via closed circuit television. This allows for university students to take subjects and classes not available at their own institution.

"Distance Education is nothing new," Sweet said. "Institutions that have no buildings, or entities unto themselves. That is what Distance Education is all about."

Sweet said that Distance Education may someday replace the need for physical facilities when it comes to education.

"Someday students will be able to get a degree without setting a foot on campus," Sweet said. "Anything you can do in the classroom can be done in this system."

Next Sweet mentioned several cases at Mansfield where Distance Education is being used.

Sweet cited English 112, a Distance Education course, as an example of how effective the teaching method can be.

"Students can testify to its effectiveness," Sweet said. "The comments they have given have been extremely valuable, and seem to be positive."

Sweet said that of the 21 students who last took the course, four of the students were Distance Education students and of the five "A's" given out, four were given to those students.

"Certain cues make it successful," she said. "Internet access helps especially."

The next speaker at the event, Laurance Miller of the Social Work/Anthropology/Sociology department, began by asking a rhetorical question.

"My concern is who should provide Distance Education," Miller

asked.

According to Miller, schools that have the funds, that can withstand political pressures and those that have prompt/immediate access to computer specialists and video/TV procedures, should be the ones to provide Distance Education.

"Mansfield University cannot meet this criteria," Miller said. "So what is the role of the small college?"

Instead of Distance Education for Mansfield, Miller suggests several different procedures that the university can follow.

"Open up and bring primary sources to the students," Miller said. "Teach students how to use technology and how to evaluate it."

Miller said that the university could then offer a global perspective by bringing African, Asian, Russian, and South American speakers in to talk to the students.

Miller also said that Distance Education has two tasks to accomplish before it can be acceptable.

"Appropriate uses have to be defined, and funds must be secured to equip campuses with the technology," he said.

The final discussant was Dennis Wydra of the education department.

"All forms of Distance Education are effective," Wydra said. "Believe it or not, we can take any professor and send him, via cable channel 6, to another classroom."

According to Wydra, distance learning was regarded as a joke in the 80s, but the general image of it has turned around in the 90s.

"The performance has been so successful that Mansfield University got a \$1/2 million grant for the first year," Wydra said.

Wydra cited people's nervousness and fear about the subject as being just a phase that always occurs when something is new.

"During the Gulf War, soldiers were trained by professors via satellite in Saudi Arabia," he said in conclusion.

The forum was then opened up to audience members.

Professor Lynn Pifer of the English department, who is teaching 12 MU students and 12 Ridgeway students in a Distance Education program, expressed her concern that the technology doesn't always work properly.

"I am worried about dividing my time between the video camera and the live students," she said.

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

The halls of Butler Music Center were filled with the gracious sound of piano last Friday as world renowned concert musician Fernando Laires played to a full auditorium.

The concert, which took place in Steadman Theatre, featured the music of composer Franz Liszt and centered on Liszt's nine part piece, *Annees de pelerinage* (Suisse).

Immediately before the recital, Laires gave a short address to the crowd about the importance of remembering musicians like Franz List.

"Liszt was a poet, a painter and humanist, projecting his impressions," Laires said. "Liszt and the 19th century are one and the same, you cannot take Liszt out of the 19th century, and you cannot take the 19th century out of Liszt."

Laires also commented on what he saw as an American bias against Liszt.

"Last month in Budapest, not one American entered the Liszt competition," said Laires. "Liszt is not appreciated in this country as much as he should be."

The piece consisted of part one, *Chapelle de Guilame Tell* (Chapel of William Tell), part two, *Au lac de Wallenstadt* (By the lake of Wallenstadt),

part three *Pastorale*, part four, *Au hord d'une source* (On the edge of a Spring), part five, *Orage* (Storm), part six, *Vallee d'Obermann* (Valley of Obermann), part seven, *Eglogue* (Pastoral Poem), part eight, *Le Mal du pays* (Nostalgia), and finished with *Les Cloches de Geneve* (The Bells of Geneva).

For an encore, Laires played the first three pieces of *Mazurka* from *Opera 7* by Liszt. Afterwards Laires commented on the significance of that evening's music.

"The program was a reflection of (Liszt's) times through the eyes of the great musician that he was," Laires said.

Of Mansfield, Laires commented, "It's a wonderful hall. The piano was not perfect, but it has sound. Everything was lovely."

Laires won world recognition by playing concerts on five continents and by garnering many awards like the Beethoven Medal in London and the Franz Liszt Medal of the Liszt society of Budapest. Laires was also decorated by the Portuguese government with the rank of Commander of the Order of Prince Henry the Navigator.

He has, in recent years, recited with orchestras in the Soviet Union, Canada, China, Malaysia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Singapore, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Scotland, Switzerland and Austria.

## Students, faculty discuss Affirmative Action

by Krissy Dennis  
staff reporter

Affirmative action and its impact on society was the topic discussed by students and faculty at an open forum held Tuesday in the Martin Luther King Center.

Currently, affirmative action provides equal opportunity access to services and jobs, said Ronald Smith, Mansfield's affirmative action officer.

Smith stated that affirmative action is needed because it provides a basis for social justice and because it expands diversity in a learning environment, allowing for different perspectives.

According to Smith, contrary to popular belief, affirmative action is not used to fill quotas, but to provide a level playing field for all people. This is contrary to a law that is in effect which guarantees all veterans a job, Smith said.

"If that is not affirmative action, I don't know what is," Smith said.

The discussed the law and the effect this weeks elections will have on it.

"The status of affirmative ac-

tion will be determined on (election day)," Smith said. "(Election day) is the day when you speak your piece."

Smith was referring to proposition 209, which once passed, would greatly restrict affirmative action in California and possibly set a precedent other states may follow.

"It is a frightening thought," said Dr. Bonnie Kutbay of the art department.

According to election results revealed later that day, the proposition passed.

Many students present expressed opposing points of view when it came to the usefulness of affirmative action.

One student described it as a handout that they did not need and expressed that they felt that their ability was enough to get them where they wanted to go.

Another concern brought up at the forum concerned students not using their absentee ballots to vote while they are away at school was also expressed.

According to Smith, voting is the one way that students, as well as everyone else, can have their say.



photo by Brent McCallus

(left to right): Sharitta Bowie, Rhashida West and Tisia Baynes. The first annual pumpkin contest, sponsored by SAO, took place on November 1st at Zanzibar. West came in first, Bowie in second and Baynes in third.





## Around the Nation

### Diocese to pay \$15,000 to settle student's lawsuit

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The Catholic Diocese of Palm Beach has agreed to pay \$15,000 to settle a lawsuit claiming a Catholic school principal made racist remarks during a Black History Month presentation.

Monique Dumas, 14, will receive \$500 immediately. Another \$9,000 will be placed in a custodial account until she turns 18 under a settlement approved by a judge Monday.

The diocese agreed to settle the suit with "no admission of liability," said Tom Schulte, attorney for the diocese.

Dumas and her parents sued the diocese and Principal Thomas Ducote in May, alleging that he used Monique to illustrate the differences between blacks and whites during a talk Feb. 29. Monique, the only black student in her seventh-grade class, cried during the presentation as Ducote

described the differences in anatomy between blacks and whites, the suit said.

Ducote did not approve of the settlement and complained that "justice had not been served" in a letter he wrote on the school's stationery to the judge Oct. 16. Ducote said the diocese did not consult him about the settlement and that he would not have agreed.

Ducote said he spoke to Robert Dumas, the girl's father, on Feb. 29 and Dumas "agreed to an apology the next day. What made him change his mind?" the principal wrote.

The diocese suspended Ducote for 3 1/2 weeks. The school found his comments were inappropriate but not racially motivated and he was reinstated.

Silver, who gets the rest of the settlement, said Monique no longer attends St. Jude's and left because of the incident.

### Gulf War veterans encouraged to join testing for syndrome

HELENA (AP) — The Montana Department of Veterans Affairs has checked 250, but only a handful have been referred to larger centers for further testing.

Most of the 250 are not ill and simply want to be part of the national Persian Gulf War registry that the Pentagon has set up, said Stan Hall, a nurse practitioner at the Veterans Administration hospi-

tal at Fort Harrison, just west of town.

The registry is intended to help track the mysterious ailments that dog many Gulf War veterans and may be linked to nerve gas or other chemicals.

The veterans "are worried about long-term health problems," said Hall, who works with veterans undergoing the tests.

Only a handful feel they have symptoms attributable to their service in the Persian Gulf, he said. Fort Harrison conducts what is called a Phase I exam, a medical history and workup. The baseline data is entered in the national registry.

Veterans who have unexplained symptoms are referred to one of three Phase II centers in Boston, Los Angeles or Houston for further tests.

The most common complaints include mental disorders such as post-traumatic stress disorder, respiratory problems, digestive problems and muscular-skeletal problems. Hall said the symptoms often can be traced to underlying health troubles such as asthma.

Fatigue, shortness of breath, headaches, muscle pain, memory loss, skin rashes, sleeplessness and intestinal problems are some of the unexplained ailments that are collectively known as Gulf War syndrome. The Pentagon has repeatedly said it can find no evidence that such a disorder exists.

Hall encourages any Montana veterans of the Gulf War to join the testing for the central registry.

### Third officer on trial in death of black motorist

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Witnesses said a white police officer who has drawn some of the harshest criticism in the death of a black motorist was 40 feet away nursing an injury when the driver went limp and died.

A fellow officer and three emergency medical technicians testified Monday that Brentwood Officer John Vojtas was standing almost two car lengths from Jonny Gammage at the time Gammage stopped resisting four other officers. Gammage, 31, of Syracuse, N.Y., died last Oct. 12 of pressure on his neck and back.

Paramedic Steven Rudic, who cleaned and bandaged Vojtas' thumb after Gammage bit it, said he saw two men in grey uniforms on top of Gammage as the motorist lay on his stomach.

"His legs were kicking," Rudic said.

Two minutes later, Rudic said he rushed to the motorist's side.

"He was being rolled over on his back. He was not moving," Rudic said.

Whitehall Police Sgt. Keith Henderson also said that Vojtas was nowhere near the motorist when he died.

Vojtas of suburban Pittsburgh is charged with involuntary manslaughter in the death of Gammage. Vojtas was called in as backup after Gammage was stopped for tapping the brakes of a Jaguar owned by his cousin, Pittsburgh Steelers player Ray Seals.

Prosecutors said Vojtas helped cut off oxygen to Gammage's brain by kneeling on his back.

Rudic testified that he left Vojtas and tried unsuccessfully to revive Gammage after one of the officers yelled that the motorist was in trouble.

"Vojtas was well away ... far away ... maybe 40 feet," said Matthew Fox, a paramedic with the Brentwood Emergency Medical Service.

Gammage swore and threatened to kill police before he stopped breathing, Henderson testified earlier. Gammage was already handcuffed but continued kicking and said, "I'll kill all of you!" Henderson said.

Henderson said he could see no gap between Gammage's teeth when the motorist bit down on Vojtas' thumb. Prosecutors suggested that Gammage bit Vojtas' thumb in a desperate attempt to get Vojtas off him because he couldn't breathe.

"It looked like it was bit down to the

bone," said Nancy Dyson, a third paramedic who testified.

To get Gammage to release the thumb, Vojtas "began to pound on his head with his fist," said Vojtas' attorney, Alexander Lindsay.

Vojtas then walked away, leaving four officers to continue the struggle, said Henderson, who was not charged. Vojtas was gone for the five minutes or so before Gammage stopped breathing, Henderson said.

Meanwhile, officers managed to handcuff Gammage's hands out in front of his head, Henderson said. One officer sat on Gammage's legs, another stepped on his buttocks and Henderson stepped on his wrists, Henderson testified.

Gammage then threatened the officers and a couple minutes later closed his eyes and stopped moving, Henderson testified.

Henderson then walked over to Vojtas and said Gammage appeared to have had a heart attack. According to Henderson, Vojtas replied: "Good. I hope he dies." Vojtas said he spoke in anger and never meant for Gammage to die.

The comment and reports about Vojtas striking his former girlfriend and allowing his fiancée to kill herself with his service revolver have made him a lightning rod for police critics in the case.

Henderson also testified that Brentwood Lt. Milton Mulholland, who made the initial traffic stop, was upset that Gammage had stopped breathing. Henderson said Mulholland went to Seals' car, found a small bag of marijuana and said, "I can't believe this was all over this."

An autopsy showed Gammage had no drugs and just a trace of alcohol in his system.

Deputy District Attorney Anthony Krastek said during opening statements that Vojtas overreacted by knocking a cellular phone out of Gammage's hand when he got out of the car. Vojtas has said he thought the phone was a gun.

Gammage elbowed Vojtas several times in the face after Vojtas ordered him to put his hands on the car, Henderson said. The motorist continually pulled his wrists free, kicked and bit as officers tried to cuff him, he said.

Mulholland and Albert also were charged with involuntary manslaughter. Their case ended in a mistrial last month and will not be retried until at least January.

### Parents shy to admit substance abuse, Phoenix research finds

PHOENIX (AP) — Only one in 10 Arizona parents think their children may be using tobacco, alcohol or drugs, even though state statistics show use is as much as three times that high, a poll released Monday indicates.

A report by the Behavior Research Center in Phoenix raised questions about whether parents were willing to acknowledge possible substance use by their offspring.

The survey questioned whether parents were refusing to accept substance abuse by their children.

The survey of 706 voters across Arizona in early October found just 9 percent of parents believed their children used cigarette or chewing tobacco.

In addition, 6 percent suspected alcohol

use by children in their household and 4 percent thought their kids were using drugs. The margin of error for the survey was plus or minus 4 percentage points.

However, a 1995 report of substance abuse among public-school children in the state, 11 percent of elementary students were found to have used alcohol in the 30 days preceding their interview. Those numbers rose to 20 percent for middle and junior-high students and 38 percent in high school.

The same study found 9 percent of middle-school students and 22 percent of high-schoolers had used marijuana. Cocaine use was measured at 3 percent in middle school and 4 percent in high school.

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## Strike won't buy quality for students

For the past few months all of the college professors in Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education (SSHE) have been working without a contract. Now, in lieu of the inability of the union and the state to hammer out a workable contract it appears that a strike by the teachers is possible.

Among other things, the professors want a higher salary. This is not an unreasonable request due to the fact that many of the professors on this and other State schools have a lower salary than teachers at Mansfield High School. When the state takes a stance that only a person who has attained a PhD in their particular field may be hired on a tenure track position, then the state needs to accept the financial responsibility involved in such a requirement.

Conversely, if the professors want to make a demand for higher salaries, then they should be held to higher standards of performance in the classroom and out. A professor being available for 2 or 3 office hours a week is completely unacceptable. The student body should not be required to meet certain requirements if professors are not being held equally accountable.

This is not to say that money is the only issue at hand. The professors also want more control over the curriculum, which is also not an unreasonable request. It is the professors who are imparting knowledge, not some bureaucrat in Harrisburg.

Recently the State and the administration of Mansfield made the North Hall project a priority, subsequently they got out and beat the bush to find the necessary resources, financial and otherwise, to complete the task. We as students should demand no less on this issue. If a research facility is important enough to warrant the time and effort that was placed into its restoration, can any less effort be placed into satiating our greatest resource for learning?

It comes as no surprise that this possible strike will take place in the spring semester of classes. Traditionally, this semester has the largest graduating group of any of the three seasonal semesters. A strike would mean that many students would not graduate on time and this could also have repercussions on the plans of other students in the progress of their college careers. Obviously, many students would be against a strike because of the negative effects it would have upon their lives. This would be to the professors benefit because the students would then be on the union's side. This would then force the state to come up with a contract that would be beneficial to the professors to avert the worst which would be the strike in question.

In this respect, we, as students with our educations on the line, should be in favor of the threat of a strike to get this situation resolved and out of the way. We should also dread the thought that a strike could be in our future and do everything in our power to not only make sure that a strike does not take place but that the need for the threat of a strike does not become necessary.

Students around this state should also be outraged that they are being used as "bargaining chips" in the negotiations. This reduces the credibility of our needs in the negotiators eyes and belittles our intelligence.

Essentially, we the students are being used in these negotiations and we should not stand for this. Our interests should be what comes first because without us there would be no use for this university or any other for that matter. Since this university and the professors are here for us then they should put us first and get this situation resolved in the quickest way possible so that the negative effects on our college careers are brought to a minimum.



## Comments on use of laptops

North Hall's much awaited laptops have arrived. But, with them has come a number of unanticipated "challenges." One over which we have no control is the sheer demand. Although we expected computer usage in North Hall to be high, the actual figures have thus far exceeded our expectations.

Availability aside, printing continues to be the biggest source of frustration for most people. Obviously we can't know where a person will plug in his/her laptop. Likewise, we can't program the laptop to print to all the printers. So, each laptop has a designated printer to which it's connected. Before printing, you should check to see which printer is selected and, if it's not the one you want, change it. If your material doesn't print to the selected printer and/or if you're not clear how to select a printer, contact

one of the Computer Assistants for assistance.

Please, read the instructions. Most of the problems students typically encounter are addressed in the instruction sheet which accompanies each laptop when it gets signed-out. How to (un)plug the cords as well as how to select a printer are among the items covered.

Just because you see a laptop behind the desk doesn't mean it's available. Laptops have to be checked-in to make sure they work correctly. True, waiting for a laptop to be checked-in can be inconvenient. But, if it doesn't get checked-in properly, you could be held responsible for damage caused by the previous user. So please, be patient.

Along those lines, while a laptop is signed-out to you, you're responsible for it. This means the cables, cover, everything must be returned,

unbroken and in working order. It also means that, if you leave to go to the restroom and the laptop is stolen, you will be held responsible. Be careful.

Similarly, don't bring food or beverages into the library. This might sound like a 'stupid library rule.' However, just like last week, a student smuggled a beverage into the library. When the beverage spilled into the computer, it caused an as-yet undetermined amount of damage, essentially destroying the machine. This is a prime example of why food and beverages are absolutely prohibited in the library.

Finally, as with all things, if you encounter problems/difficulties, pick up one of the courtesy phones in the atrium and/or stop by the Information Desk on the second floor (north) and ask for assistance. Monty L. McAdoo  
Reference Librarian

### Letters to the Editor Policy

The *Flashlight* is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

The *Flashlight* reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length or clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off at the *Flashlight* office, 217 Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday, or mailed to the above address.

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Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary may turn it in to the *Flashlight* office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writers name, major, class, and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.



## Commentary

# Dave's guide to surviving Florida's Everglades



**Dave Barry**

If you're looking to get away from civilization and experience the serenity that comes from being out in nature's wilderness beauty and having the vast majority of the blood sucked out of your body, then you should rent a houseboat in the Everglades.

I did this recently with my son, Rob. We rented our houseboat at a place called Flamingo, in Everglades National Park, waaaaay down on the bottom of Florida. At that point, Florida has totally stopped pretending to be a normal United State such as Pennsylvania, the kind of state that has been constructed in compliance with the Official State Building Code on a solid foundation of dirt and rocks. Lower Florida LOOKS like solid ground in places, but it's actually a gigantic floating clotted mass of

decaying vegetation and shed snake-skins, drifting around on a sea of aromatic water and muck. You get the feeling that you need to keep moving, because if you stand still too long, you'll sink into the clot until the only thing sticking up is your head, which a bird will come along and build a nest on.

There's wildlife everywhere down there. Maybe too much of it. For example, when we arrived at the Flamingo marina, we drove into a parking lot, which sloped down gently to a boat-launching ramp into the water, and lying on this ramp, watching us, were three major alligators. They were lined up parallel to each other, halfway out of the water, as though a National Park Service employee had been in the middle of launching them, but then he stopped for some reason, such as that they ate him.

I was frankly concerned about being in an alligator-infested parking lot, and it did not help that Rob kept reminding me how fast alligators can move over land. Reminding people how fast alligators can move is a long-standing Florida tradition. "Over short distances, an alligator can outrun a horse," people will say. Or: "In 1983 the Air Force tracked an alligator going 387 miles per hour."

Fortunately, alligators don't corner well, so if one is chasing you get ready for an Alligator safety Tip - you're supposed to run in circles. I'm serious. Schoolchildren are taught this in Florida, while children in other states are learning to read.

So anyway, by moving in precautionary circles, Rob and I managed to get safely aboard our rental houseboat, named the "Spoonbill." I'm qualified to operate a house boat because I have nautical experience, consisting of owning a boat for a couple of years. During this time I learned the principles of navigation, because every week I had to navigate my car to the marine-supplies store to buy boat parts in a never-ending effort to get the boat fixed up to the point where the engine would start.

Altogether, I probably have close to 45 minutes of experience driving a boat on the actual water, so you can imagine how competent I felt when I took the helm (or "forecastle") of the Spoonbill, which is the size of a standard junior high school, only not as maneuverable. The way you drive a houseboat is, you turn the wheel to the right (or "mizzen"), then you go make a sandwich and take a nap. By the time you get back to the helm, the boat is just starting to turn right, which means it's time for you to turn the wheel back to the left.

Using this procedure we navigated through a canal out to Whitewater Bay, which gets its name from the fact that the water is brown. There we were able to really "open up" the throttle and get the Spoonbill moving at her top speed, which (I am estimating here) is zero. We didn't care. We weren't out there to get somewhere; we were out there to experience directly the natural beauty of the Everglades, which look today very much

as they did thousands of years ago to the first Native Americans to arrive here, except that they didn't have a generator, climate control, hot water, a full kitchen, a shower, a flush toilet, a refrigerator and enough groceries to feed the Green Bay Packers for a month.

That evening we dropped anchor maybe 100 yards from a mangrove island, many miles from any sign of civilization. We stood on the deck, and, as the sun set, we experienced a sensation that I will never forget: The sensation of being landed on by every mosquito in the Western Hemisphere. There were so many of them that they needed Air Traffic Control mosquitoes to give directions ("OK No. 86742038, you have clearance to land on his left elbow, but make it quick, because he's almost out of blood").

So we hustled inside the Spoonbill and spent the evening admiring the natural wonder and beauty of air conditioning. Meanwhile, just outside the window, the mosquitoes formed a huge swirling committee to discuss the feasibility of sending a search party back to the mainland for a glass-cutter. But we made it through the night OK, and we ended up having a fine weekend, which was diminished only slightly by the fact that when we got back to Flamingo, it had sunk without a trace.

No, it was still there. But if you're planning to go, you should call ahead, just in case. And if an alligator answers, hang up.

## Quale gets ready for 2000

ASH FLAT, Ark. (AP) — By now, after nearly 90 campaign stops, the faces and places blur as Dan Quayle seeks votes for Republican congressional candidates — and builds the foundation for a potential presidential bid in the year 2000.

His low-profile campaigning is producing a network of names, a base of contacts and prospective donors. Favors now can deliver favors later, when the former vice president may need them for a race of his own.

Add to that the contributions to 201 Republican campaigns made by his political action committee, Campaign America. More credits that could be handy in a Quayle campaign. The PAC, a political asset inherited from Bob Dole, also bankrolls his campaign travels in a seven-seat chartered jet.

Two aides are on the road with him, and sometimes the local sheriff helps with a motorcade. Four years ago, it was Air Force Two, with an entourage of vice presidential staffers, Secret Service, and siren-blaring motorcades.

But for Quayle, who stumbled when he started near the top of national politics eight years ago, this could be a beginning on the route back.

By Election Day, Quayle will have appeared on behalf of 70 GOP candidates in 30 states since Labor Day.

Quayle isn't saying he'll seek the White House next time. "We're looking at it," is as far as he goes.

The question of a presidential campaign next time comes up constantly. "It's not appropriate to start talking about that now," he said at a mini-news conference Wednesday at the tiny airport in Ash Flat.

Besides, it would be poor political etique,

in the final days of Bob Dole's struggling presidential campaign, with Republicans bracing for defeat next Tuesday.

"I'm not here to talk about Bob Dole or Bill Clinton," Quayle said as he urged Arkansas voters to at least split their ballots and help Republicans hold control of the House. "I'm here to talk about Warren Dupwe."

He's running for the House in Arkansas, in a district no Republican ever has carried, in an unexpectedly close contest.

Other states, other candidates, same message: Quayle says he is not giving up on Dole's chances of defeating President Clinton next Tuesday, but the prospect of a Democratic victory makes it all the more vital that Republicans hold Congress.

What Quayle is doing has worked before for a presidential prospect in need of a revival. Richard Nixon did it that way 30 years ago, shedding a loser's image that was no less a handicap than Quayle faces in erasing the lightweight label, a product of missteps that once made him a joking matter for critics and late-night television comedians.

He tells Quayle jokes himself these days. "I'm pretty good at that match business, it's the spelling I have trouble with," recalling the day he got potato wrong.

But away from the campaign stage, he wonders whether the kind of ridicule that dogged him before would be replayed in a presidential campaign.

Lately, the breaks have been going his way.

The PAC Dole turned over to Quayle 13 months ago is one of them.

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The answer is simple. APSCUF refuses to sacrifice the quality of your State System education - today or in the future.

We have long been supporters of this unique network of 14 universities. Our organization began in 1937 as a professional faculty organization at Pennsylvania's Teacher Colleges. From day one, we took great pride in delivering on the promise of higher education.

The fact is APSCUF was the driving force behind Act 188 which in 1982 created the State System of Higher Education. It was a team of local professors, state APSCUF officers, and APSCUF's staff that made the State System a reality. Today APSCUF continues to work hard on Capitol Hill on behalf of both the State System and you, our 95,000 students.

It's clear that the focus of this contract negotiation is QUALITY. Your professors don't just want to maintain quality - we want to ENHANCE it! The State System is proposing contract language that would diminish the faculty's role in shared governance and lead to an overall erosion of the quality education the faculty works hard to deliver.

The State System's mission is to provide high quality, public higher education to Pennsylvanians. But as we examine the State System's contract proposals, we believe System management deserves an "F" in quality management.

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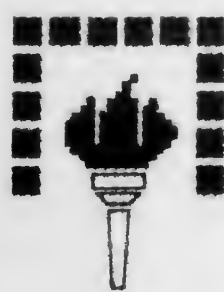
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# SPORTS

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The Flashlight

Friday, Nov. 8, 1996

## Warriors pile up points in Mounties defeat

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team lost Saturday, November 2 to East Stroudsburg University.

Amidst a day of snow flurries, snow squalls and snow storms, the ESU Warriors were piling up some points of their own as they defeated Mansfield 51-12.

This game marked the fifth straight loss for the Mounties this season while taking an overall mark of 2-7.

"The final score didn't justify the game," Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith said. "It was a hard fought game."

East Stroudsburg got on the board early in the game driving the ball 64 yards on six plays. ESU quarterback Damian Poalucci connected with Jason Killian on a 40-yard pass. Kicker Matt Seagreaves booted home the extra point giving the Warriors a seven point lead.

With the score standing 21-0 in favor of East Stroudsburg, Mansfield compiled some points of their own. After the Warriors attempted a 40-yard field goal that was no good, the Mountaineers capitalized on their misfortune. Starting on their own 23-yard line, the Mounties drove 77-yards on 10 plays. Smith connected with freshman Nate Davis on a 27-yard pass with 10:00 min-

FOOTBALL	
MOUNTIES	12
ESU	51

utes left to play in the second quarter. This touchdown marked the first of the season for Davis. A blocked extra point made the score 21-6.

Less than three minutes later Mansfield struck again. Place kicker Jason Johnston kicked onside giving Mansfield the ball back. Five plays and 51-yards later, Smith ran 22-yards for the touchdown. The two-point conversion came up just short with the score standing 21-12.

That score was how things stood until the third quarter when East Stroudsburg went on a rampage striking three times in less than 10 minutes. ESU struck two more times in the fourth quarter making the final score 51-12. Mansfield attempted to put a drive together late in the fourth quarter on nine plays driving to the 28-yard line. But just as the Mounties were about to score, ESU intercepted the ball.

Smith threw a school record 60 passes in the game, completing 25 of them for 304-yards and ran for an additional 84-yards. For his performance he was named ECAC Division II Rookie of the Week. He was also selected to the Pennsylvania State Athletic Confer-



Photo by Thad Woodward

Mountie freshman quarterback Lucas Smith had over 300-yards in the Mounties 51-13 loss to East Stroudsburg University last Saturday afternoon.

ence Honor Roll. Davis pulled down six passes for a career best 139-yards.

Junior runningback Jason Donadi fell short of the 100 yard mark this game, picking up 48-yards on the ground.

Defensively, senior Joel Kargbo had five solo tackles, a pass break-up and two sacks while strong safety J.J. Cleaver has a team best nine tackles. Freshman Rich Entrot contributed six tackles with

a quarterback sack while freshman defensive end John Grier has his first collegiate interception.

This weekend the Mounties match-up against the Cheyney Wolves who are 0-9 on the season. Game time is slated for 1 p.m. at O'Shield's-Stevenson Stadium.

"We can beat Cheyney," Smith said. "It depends on which team shows up to play."

## Mansfield looks good (on paper) against Cheyney

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

This week the Mansfield University Mountaineer football team travels to Cheyney University to play the winless Wolves.

The Mounties, who are 2-7 overall, dropped last week's game to East Stroudsburg 51-12. The Mansfield defense allowed an NCAA Division II record 616 yards passing.

However, Lucas Smith, the Mounties freshman quarterback had a career day. He threw a school record 60 passes during the game, completing on 25 of them.

Of the 25 passes was a 27 yard touchdown pass to freshman fullback Nate Davis. Smith had an additional 84 yards on the ground.

He was named the ECAC Division II Rookie of the Week and named to the PSAC Honor Roll.

"Lucas isn't going to get lit up anymore," said freshman Marcus Pokrinchak. "We're going to strive to make sure that doesn't happen."

Mansfield tailback, Jason Donadi was unable to build up a full head of steam on the ground. He rushed for only 48 yards but managed eight catches for 45 yards.

He still has a shot at amassing 1,000 yards rushing with two games left to play. Donadi has a season total of 765 yards on 285 carries.

"The o-line is going to strike for Donadi to get his 1000 yards," said Pokrinchak.

Davis pulled down a career best six passes for 139 yards. Sophomore Ja-

son Williams had four catches on the day for 44 yards.

Despite not winning in 30 games, the Wolves appear to be an improved team over the past couple of weeks. They scored 32 points against a good East Stroudsburg team earlier this season.

They also led Edinboro at one point by a touchdown last week. Cheyney lost the game against Edinboro by a score of 38-6.

"This is the first time in five weeks that we're not playing somebody that is nationally ranked in something," said Head Football Coach Joe Viadella. "We match up well with Cheyney, but they do have a good defense and they have played better offensively the last couple of weeks."

Cheyney is ranked 14th in over-all offense in the PSAC by averaging 144 yards per game. The Mountaineers are ranked 11th overall. They average 293 yards per game in total offense.

Cheyney has an adequate defense that gives up an average of 419 yards a game. The Mountaineer defense gives up an average of 468 yards per game.

Last week the Mountie defense struggled against the pass. This week Cheyney has trouble running the ball and will try to exploit Mansfield's defensive weakness through the air.

The pressure is definitely on the Mounties this week. Cheyney has nothing to lose with their 0-9 record and string of 30 losses.

If the Wolves snap their losing streak this week against Mansfield, the Mounties will find themselves the goats of the PSAC.

### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	239	92	.385	1214	2	11	12
M. Keating	44	23	.523	218	0	0	14

Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
				J. Donadi	218	765	3
J. Donadi	29	205	0	D. Banyar	13	49	0
M. Hanley	2	50	0	L. Smith	70	216	4
N. Davis	22	412	1	L. Brannon	56	199	3
L. Brannon	3	14	0	N. Davis	4	14	0
M. Brezovech	3	58	0	J. Ludwig	3	71	1
P. Herchik	15	251	0				
B. Woodward	6	79	0	Punting	No.	Yds.	Av.
J. Povenski	15	187	0	M. Hanley	66	2311	35.0

Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	5	96	0				
C. Morrison	1	9	0				
J. Ludwig	1	1	0	Kickoff Returns	No	Yds	TD
M. Hanley	1	8	0	L. Brennon	16	226	0
M. Williams	1	1	0	D. Banyar	5	95	0
J. Grier	1	0	0	J. Williams	14	227	0
				J. VanOrden	1	5	0
Punt Returns	No	Yds	TD	R. Entrot	1	10	0
J. Williams	9	59	0				
J. Curto	1	5	0				

Sacks: Joel Kargbo (5-50yds), Jim Ludwig (1-8yds), Matt Guzevich (1-6yds), Joe Scriba (.5-6 yds)

Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
L. Smith	4	0-0	.				26
J. Johnston					6-8	4-6	18
L. Brannon	3						18
J. Donadi	3						18
J. Ludwig	1						6
N.Davis	1						6

Tackle Leaders: Nicholson (50) J.J. Cleaver (37), M. Williams (35), J. Kargbo (35), M. Guzevich (35), C. Morrison (32) J. Ludwig (25), M. Hanley (26) R. Karmol (23) R. Entrot (23) , J. VanOrden (18),,



# Teamwork key in Mountie field hockey season

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

With new coach Vicki Sax stressing team unity and discipline, the Mansfield University field hockey team this year focused on teamwork.

The Mounties completed the season at 7-8 overall and 2-6 in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

From the very start, this year's team had to fight uphill.

"With a loss of a lot of scoring and a new head coach, they did better than some people expected them to," said sports information director Steve McCloskey.

In the last week of the season, the Mounties played host to East Stroudsburg University.

The game proceeded to go well until 1:13 left in the second half when ESU scored to win the game with a final tally of 1-0.

While at King's College, the

Mansfield University Mounties won with a score of 5-2. At the last match of the year against Houghton College, the Mounties won 2-1 in overtime.

"The team really pulled together when we needed to. The East Stroudsburg University game was our greatest game this year because they were number two in the PSAC," commented sophomore Michelle Hosey.

Freshman Alyssa Gates thoroughly enjoyed playing field hockey in her first season on the college level.

"Our team had it's ups and downs. In the end, I think we were all just happy that we got to play the game we love with a great bunch of people," said Gates.

Improving from last year's record of 6-7-1, the Mansfield University field hockey team, according to it's players, hopes to improve upon their performance next year also.

Slowly, but surely, the Mounties are making a name for the program for years to come.

## Fifty best players of all time-sports views commentary

by Robert Knowles  
sports reporter

Last week, an NBC special hosted by Ahmad Rashad named the fifty greatest basketball players of all time. The show attempted to answer the type of question that, consciously or subconsciously, basketball fans ponder everyday. When we argue with our friends, family, or colleagues about whether Michael Jordan or Julius Erving was the best that ever played, we take into account their styles, point totals, championships, and overall skill. The same qualities were considered when coaches, managers, and fans chose the fifty best players of all time.

Let's start with the guards. This position brought about some of the most influential and creative players in basketball history. Among some of the athletes named were Clyde Drexler, Jerry West, Magic Johnson, and of course, Michael Jordan. Other greats included John Stockton, a great playmaker, as well as the ten time all star Hal Greer. The man who averaged a triple double for the entire season, Oscar Robertson, was a definite pick. The master of the bank shot, Sam Jones, and Lenny Wilkins who, in his own right, was a coach on the court were also mentioned.

Two of these guards, Magic Johnson and Michael Jordan, gave a player's perspective on who they would pick as the top five players in the NBA. Magic's list included Dr. J, Michael Jordan, Larry Bird, Wilt Chamberlin, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, and Bill Russell.

Jordan's list included the same but he included Oscar Robertson.

Forwards were plentiful in the top fifty pick. A few of the players in this category were also inventors in a way. They were creators of the styles that many forwards use today. Good examples of this were: Jerry Lucas, who turned rebounding into an art, Paul Arizin, who perfected the jump shot, and the unstoppable Rick Barry, who was considered an "offensive machine". Though the names I just mentioned were essentially creating many aspects of basketball, they were followed by those who perfected these aspects. Elgin Baylor who made a phenomenal eleven all star appearances, Scottie Pippen, who is considered one of the best all around athletes of the game, Sir Charles, Larry Bird, and undeniably, Julius Erving.

Robert Parrish, Wes Unseld, Nate Thurmond, Shaq, and Patrick Ewing were of a different breed of basketball player. They were the mighty giants of the game; the centers. Two players undoubtedly stand out in this position. They were Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Bill Walton. These two men playing on the same court formed one of the biggest rivalries of the game. Even though they were extremely strong competitors, they held complete respect for each other, a quality too often absent from the NBA we know today. Wilt Chamberlain, the man that scored one hundred points in a game, was one half of another rivalry that was completed by none other than Bill Russell, the master of the blocked shot.

Even though the list was thorough and considered a wide range of player qualities, it was not a complete success. Two names that immediately came to mind were Maurice Cheeks and Bernard King. They won championships, broke records, and were true greats but were not included on the list.

Speaking of true greats, what the hell was Shaq doing on the list? Another shocker was Patrick Ewing. Those two picks honestly left me speechless. How could someone, in their right mind, choose those two. Now, granted, they are good players and talented athletes, but don't even come close to the caliber needed to be a true great.

Taking into account what the experts had to say, the careers of the players in the top fifty, and the agreements and disagreements in regard to those names, the only conclusion I can draw is that everyone's criteria for the "greatest" players is different. I created my own top five, not that it should

have any affect on people's opinions, but for my own benefit. They are, in order from greatest to least greatest: Michael Jordan, Julius Erving, Oscar Robertson, Magic Johnson, and Larry Bird.

## Runners finish strong at PSAC's

by J. Wilson and J.P. Fella  
sports reporters

The Mansfield University Mounties Men's and Women's Cross Country team competed in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Championship meet on Saturday, November 2, 1996 at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Winning its fifth straight men's title and its 12th in the past 13 years, Edinboro was paced by individual champion Travis Kuhl, who ran the five mile distance in 26:18.50.

Mansfield's best finisher for the men was Dana Vosburgh who came

in 21st with a time of 27:25.79.

In the women's race Shippensburg won the team trophy by upsetting Edinboro. Both teams are nationally ranked, Edinboro 10th and Shippensburg 15th.

The individual winner was Jan Blake, of East Stroudsburg, with a time of 18:34.95, on the 3.1 mile course.

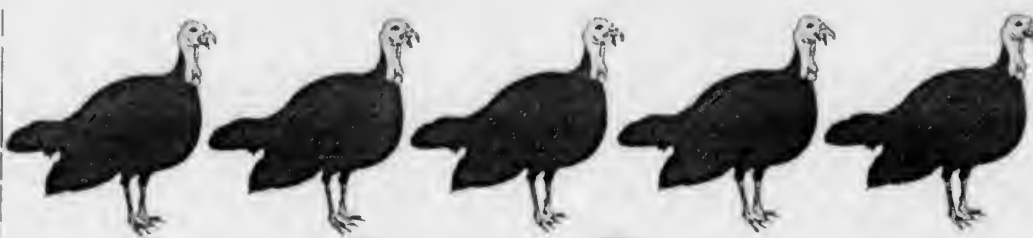
Jill Barron ran well for Mansfield's Women Cross country team with a time of 21:04.95, followed by Colleen Ryder with a time of 21:07.44.

Next week the Mansfield University Mountaineer Cross Country Team will compete in the Division II Regional Meet.

### Flashlight Athlete of the Week Lucas Smith



Lucas Smith is named Flashlight Athlete of the Week. Smith threw a school record 60 passes in the game, completing 25 of them for 304-yards and ran for an additional 84-yards. He was named ECAC Division II Rookie of the Week and was named to the PSAC Honor Roll.



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# An election day in the life of the American public

As polls closed Tuesday, before the votes were counted, one thing was absolutely certain: Warner won the Senate race in Virginia.

But was it Warner the incumbent Republican (John) or Warner the Democratic challenger who financed his \$9 million campaign primarily with his own money (Mark)?

"We will return a Warner to the Senate. But it will be Mark, not John," the 41-year-old Democrat said. Early returns, though, indicated otherwise.

The contest, closer than expected, was the nation's first Senate race between candidates with same last name since Americans began direct election of senators in 1914.

It may have even bollixed some exit polls. Voter News Service, a polling agency, said it grew concerned when some tallies showed Mark Warner leading by a few points. So the agency went back to check the tallies and see if Mark and John were mixed up.

"It seemed like a possibility, given that this could be an upset," said Murray Edelman, editorial director of Voter News Service, a polling agency. Mixed-up tallies, he said, were "possible in a couple precincts, but there was no evidence that it happened."

The Warner contest was an unusual race on an Election Day that produced its share of unusual results. But snapshots from across the land underscored that Election Day still provides the grease that guides America along its sometimes impressive, often unsteady path.

Election snapshot: Augusta, Maine. Therese Veilleux, an elderly woman with a toddler in tow, exercised her rights Tuesday. She couldn't imagine doing otherwise.

"It's my duty. I vote every time," she said. "We were brought up that way."

"It's a sad commentary today that we don't have better choices. The average Joe can't become president. It's a game of power and money." Dorothy Birch, 70, of Milwaukee, a retired nurse.

Heard at the polls:

Tampa, Fla.: "I believe (Dole) is more of a Christian and more trustworthy than Clinton. He's a proven leader. He served his country in the military, and I believe you can trust him a lot more than you can Bill Clinton."

Hurricane, W.Va., from a Dole supporter: "I'm not an anti-Clinton. He's become, actually, a good Republican lately. He's as middle as they get. I'm not offended by him. I don't trust him, but I'm not offended by him."

Bismarck, N.D.: "I think we need to get away from the emphasis on Democrats and Republicans and vote for a decent person."

Hoboken, N.J.: "I'm a card-carrying Republican and I couldn't vote for Bob Dole. 'It seems like his campaign slogan should have been, 'It's my turn.'"

Election snapshot: Norway, Iowa. A Union Pacific coal train rumbles by.

They moved the bright-red fire engine outside the Florence Township station to make room for Election Day 1996, in the form of paper ballots (no machines here).

The firefighters' coats remained inside. "When they have a fire," said Betty Schulte, an election official, "we just get out of the way."

Perot, self-proclaimed populist, arrived at his Dallas polling place in the classic suburban family vehicle: a Voyager mini-van.

He drove it himself.

Clara Lucca, 101 years old, knows the importance of voting. She was alive when women first got the right to do it in 1919. And she hasn't missed a November contest since then.

"Always vote," the Buffalo, N.Y., resident said Tuesday as she made her way to the polls. "We want the best people for the position."

"I've voted here a lot of times before. Never voted for myself for president. A little nervous." Bob Dole, casting his ballot in Russell, Kan.

Is voting delayed voting denied?

Millions of Puerto Ricans cast their votes Tuesday, but at least one ballot never made it to the box. Independence leader Juan Mari Bras's ballot will remain hermetically sealed pending a decision on his right to vote.

A lawyer and lifelong advocate of Puerto Rican independence, Mari Bras renounced his American citizenship two years ago.

An advocate of U.S. statehood for Puerto Rico sued, questioning Mari Bras' right to vote. One judge has already upheld Mari Bras' claim, and he hopes the Supreme Court will follow suit.

Michael Rubin believes in downsizing government really.

The Robotics engineer, the Libertarian candidate for "public weigher" in Lubbock County, Texas, has vowed to eliminate his job if he wins. The archaic elected post has no salary and only one technical responsibility to weigh oranges grown in Lubbock County.

Oranges, however, don't grow in Lubbock County.

"The standard joke is, 'Are you going to run for president and abolish that?'" said Rubin, who also wiped out the public weigher position in San Antonio eight years ago while a college student.

Neither Rubin nor his Republican opponent, a retired electrical engineer placed on the ballot by his son, has spent a dime campaigning.

Vice President Al Gore and his wife, Tipper, voted in the gymnasium of Forks River School in Elmwood, Tenn., a

couple miles from the Gore home in Carthage. Daughters Karenna and Kristen came along.

Afterward, Gore walked over to talk to students.

Gotta watch those kids, though: One student asked why his parents should vote for Gore. The vice president declined to respond; Tennessee bans politicking within 100 feet of a polling site.

"I just don't think we need another grumpy person in office." Jeff Knudson, 20, of Madison, Wis., who voted for Clinton.

Even The New York Times crossword puzzle didn't let Election Day escape unnoticed. And it noticed in an ingenious way.

The clues for 39 and 43 across, "Lead story in tomorrow's newspaper," worked out to be "Clinton elected." But wait the answer "Bob Dole elected" also fit very nicely.

The puzzle was constructed so that the answer to a down clue, "Black Halloween animal," may be "cat" or "bat." If cat, that's the first letter of Clinton; if bat, it's the start of Bob Dole. The same goes for the next six down words. Each has two possible, correct answers.

"I have done what I can do all I can do." Bob Dole at a rally Tuesday.

"We just need to run our country the way we want to run our lives." Clinton in his last campaign speech Tuesday.

Election snapshot: the future.

For first-time voter Bryan Roundtree, Election Day couldn't come too soon. The 8-year-old Raleigh, N.C., boy awoke Tuesday anticipating his visit to the polls.

Bryan, his brother and his sister went with their parents to vote as part of a North Carolina project that let kids have their own informal vote.

His brother, Carlos, 14, looks forward to the day their ballots will be real.

## President William Clinton wages his last campaign

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) It was the last day of his last national campaign, a sentimental moment for a natural politician who loves campaigning.

Home he came to Arkansas in the pre-dawn darkness of Election Day, and there was a big hometown crowd to welcome Bill Clinton. Hundreds filled the streets. Clinton lingered into the night, shaking hands.

Someone held up a "Welcome Home" sign, and a handful of people lit sparklers.

The president was expected to watch election returns in downtown Little Rock tonight and give an address at the Old State House, where he announced his candidacy in 1991 and thanked voters

for electing him in 1992.

The Clinton crowd was confident, almost giddy, aboard Air Force One.

Hillary Rodham Clinton suggested she would dance the Macarena with Vice President Al Gore if the Democrats win. Staffers produced a tape recorder and tape, but she begged off. The president, though, went through the motions for a minute or two, according to press secretary Mike McCurry.

The president mapped out his last campaign day himself. He started in New Hampshire, a state that kept his candidacy alive in 1992 when it seemed most in trouble, then sprinted to four other states and finally his native Arkansas. Once solidly Republican, Clinton

appeared to have a good chance of carrying New Hampshire again. He barely carried it in 1992, thanks to Ross Perot, who drained votes from Republican George Bush.

On Monday, as dusk approached at the University of Kentucky, Clinton told supporters, "This is the last day of my last campaign."

"I will never seek office again," he said, then added: "Unless I go home and run for the school board some day."

He was already looking ahead to a second term, setting up a transition team that may release a round of Cabinet resignations as early as this week.

In his last campaign speeches, Clinton sought to help Democrats in congres-

sional races. "Your vote is going to decide whether we return Congress to a majority of people who have prepared to shut the government down," he said.

Bleary-eyed but buoyant, Clinton campaigned like a man who knew the election was sewed up. But he wanted a majority of the popular vote he won with only 43 percent in 1992's three-man race and he wanted to help Democrats seize control of Congress from the Republicans.

In an emotional plea for high voter turnout, Clinton asked more than 10,000 Democrats in Cleveland, "Will you seize the day to keep your country moving in the right direction?" It was the same refrain at every stop.

## CALENDAR

### Sun 11/10/96

8am to 4pm String Festival in Steadman Theatre.

2pm Violin Soloist in Steadman Theatre  
**ALL DAY- Brent McCallus' birthday drop off gifts at 217 Memorial Hall.**

### Mon 11/11/96

5pm Flashlight Organizational meeting/ awards ceremony  
9pm Student Government Association Meeting

### Tue 11/12/96

1pm Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK Center.

3:30pm MU Film and Lecture Series in North Dining Hall.

8-10pm "Hang the D.J." on 89.5 WNTN

### Wed 11/13/96

11am Workshop in 429 North Hall, sign up at library reference desk.

7pm-11pm Pool Tournament in Memorial Hall. Cash and merchandise prizes. Entry fee is \$1.

9pm MAC Coffeehouse at the HUT.  
10-12pm "The Boneyard" on 89.5

### WNTN

### Thu 11/14/96

1pm International Discussion Hour in MLK Center. Topic: Higher Education, Leadership and Community Development: "Brain Drain" and Personal Responsibility.

### Fri 11/15/96

8pm Suzanna Acevedo Senior Voice Recital in Steadman Theatre.  
Wind Ensemble Tour  
5 Star-Dining at Manser

Women's Basketball away at IUP Tourney.

10pm-2am Zanzibar at the HUT

10pm "The Wall" at 144 Sullivan St. everyone is invited to come and eat the food and drink the drink.

### Sat 11/16/96

Football at home with Clarion at 1pm  
Women's Basketball away at IUP Tourney

Mark Renner Senior Recital at 3pm in Steadman Theatre



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## Students may soon have bus service to class and town

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

Endless Mountains Transportation Authority of Athens, Pa., has submitted a proposal to Mansfield University to provide a busing service for the university.

Benjamin Shaw, operations manager of EMTA, said that if the proposal is accepted, there would be a shuttle placed on campus to bus students downtown and to on-campus buildings.

"The bus would run from the residence halls to class buildings and the parking lots," Shaw said. "It would run on a 30 minute schedule and would also go downtown during the lunch hour."

Shaw said that under the original proposal the bus would run from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday to Friday. However, he said that under the new proposal, which is still being written, longer running hours and trips to the Arnot Mall in Big Flats, NY, may be involved which would mean an \$8 to \$10 increase in all

student activity fees.

"We went before the All Residence Hall Council and they liked the idea so much that they asked what else they could get for their money," Shaw said. "The proposal also states that we are trying to solicit money to have bus shelters built in different areas around campus, such as at the freshman parking lot."

According to Shaw, the proposal is based on a similar service that is provided to the students of Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

"The idea for the whole thing really comes from IUP," Shaw said. "We're building on the suggestions that we got from ARHC."

According to Shaw, acceptance of the proposal would also mean that any student with a valid ID would be able to ride any of the busses that are run by EMTA for free.

"This would mean that all the doors would be open to students to ride all of our fixed routes," Shaw said. "Show your ID and you ride for free."



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The EMTA bus service is considering running a bus for students. This is the proposed design for the student buses.

Shaw said that the proposal has the backing of many different campus organizations.

"ARHC, the Student Government Association, and (MU) president Rod Kelchner all support the proposal," Shaw said. "President Kelchner said that he would sell the proposal to the different departments on campus."

The proposal also has been supported by the campus police and by the MU director of police and safety services, K.P. Collier.

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Currently student workers, who are employed by the campus police department through work study, drive a student van around campus and provide rides to students at night.

According to Collier, the workers who drive the campus van would not lose their jobs if the proposal was accepted.

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## Officials say paper charges in library are soon to be implemented

by Darren Meehan  
wire editor

As soon as next semester, students may have to pinch pennies to get printouts in North Hall.

Due to the high number of printouts being executed in the library and the tremendous amount of wasted paper left at the printers at the end of every day, a committee of six campus advisors have recommended charging each student for each page printed in the library. The charge would take effect in the spring.

Rustin Kreider, computer advisor of North Hall and a student member of the committee, has researched methods used by other campuses to combat the rising cost and has determined that a paper charge is inevitable.

"It has pretty much been decided. The only question now is implementation," Kreider said.

Kreider has taken a sample of more than 600 colleges who have some sort of printout system but only found 70 campuses that have a system that would be possible for North Hall. Kreider will submit recommendations to the committee when they reconvene on Monday, November 18.

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"Our (the committee's) goal is not to make money but to make users aware that this costs a significant amount. I don't want to see the students overcharged. I am trying to keep the cost down to pennies a page," Kreider said.

Among the options being discussed for charging the students is an individual charge per page while in the library. Another option being loosely considered is a flat price added to the tuition bill.

Kreider is also pursuing an option that would implement a system to give students a set number of printouts before paying.

"I am trying to get the committee to accept a quota where the students will get their first 100 pages free and the pay for any additional copies," Kreider said.

The deciding committee consists of six individuals from campus; two students (Kreider and SGA President Mark Smith), two professors (Dr. John Ulrich of the English department and physics professor Dr. Michael

Chester), and two administrators (Computer Center Director Gary Ingerick and Director of Library Services Dr. Larry Nesbit.)

This is not the first committee to address this problem, but Nesbit feels this committee is more in touch with the voice of the students.

"One third of the (committee) membership is students. It is an ideal group because each faction has an equal voice," Nesbit said. "The first was mostly administration. So for this one we got students and faculty involved."

Nesbit said that Kreider has made a big difference this time around and that he has enabled the committee to address many perspectives.

Even with the voice of the students, there is still no way to prevent the charge, Nesbit said. Current paper consumption is almost four times the anticipated amount and paper waste is high.

"Fifty percent of the printouts are waste. If it were academic, it would be one thing, but a lot of it is personal," Nesbit said. "Should we be paying to

print out every e-mail message?"

Nesbit has a few suggestions for students to try to lower the printout rate.

"Download things electronically. Instead of printing, bring a disk and download the material," Nesbit said. "Basically, we want fairness in how we will charge. It will make (students) think more about printing less."

Nesbit also understands that the students are not the only reason for the printout increase and that the high number of new printers and new computers will raise the rate.

"The availability of what we did (with North Hall) increased, so the need went up," Nesbit said.

Regardless of the reasons for the high figures, Kreider does not want to see the students overcharged.

While many students on campus recognize the reason for the charge, they don't look forward to paying. Bill Boess, an MU student, recognizes the

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## Community students caught misusing networked university computers

by Kari Reagan  
staff reporter

Recently there have been numerous students from Mansfield's public schools coming to North Hall to use its computer facilities. Unfortunately, according to campus officials, not all the use has been academic use.

According to Rustin Kreider, computer assistant and student representative to the Computer Advisory Committee, several local kids were allegedly caught printing out significant amounts of pornography in the North Hall lab. They would then allegedly take the ma-

terial back to their school and sell it to students.

The students gained access to the material via the Internet equipped computers located in North Hall.

The students were asked not to use the library computers for nonacademic work, but nothing really has been done to prevent this from happening again though.

"Since the building opened we don't censor materials, so it's almost impossible to prevent it from happening again," said Larry Nesbit, director of library-information resource services.

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High energy entertainment that will raise your sights and lift your spirits. Up With People will present "The Festival" in Straughn Auditorium on Dec. 6 at 8 p.m.



## Campus Voices

by Katie Long and Stack

**"Would you be willing to pay extra money per semester for a bus service?  
Why or Why not? Where would you go?"**



**Andrea JoVan**  
sophomore

"No, because I have a car on campus. I don't think I should have to pay extra for something I won't even use."



**Michelle Coleman**  
junior

"I would be willing to pay for it. I think everyone should pay for it even if they don't use it. It's a good idea."



**Viola Brown**  
junior

"I would go to the Arnot mall, Williamsport, Corning, and Elmira."



**Hiroyuki Ikushima**  
junior

"Yeah, why not."

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## Images of older women discussed

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

On Tuesday, November 12 at 3:30 in Manser North Dining Room, Dr. Jane McGuire presented her world renowned study entitled, "Images of Older Women: Grandmother, Earth Mother, Enduring Spirit, Crone or Hag? Their Stories Shape their Images," to students and faculty.

"I began to notice women, old women, especially women 80 years or older, many years ago. In my perception, old women are living more independent lives than women 20 years their junior," McGuire said.

She wanted to introduce Mansfield to some older women she has interviewed and studied over the past few decades. To best do this she took the role of these women, and read their interviews in the first person.

Philathea, the first woman in Broom County to receive aid to dependent children, was the first persona she assumed.

Representing Philathea, McGuire said, "My father died of Tuberculosis. A doctor made a mistake and accidentally killed him."

Philathea was put into an orphanage, but removed when her mother remarried. She loved her step-father, who worked as a hired hand on a local farm.

"One night," McGuire said, speaking as Philathea, "a homeless man walked into the barn, lit a cigarette, and set fire to the barn. Killing my fathers two favorite horses."

Later in life, Philathea took a job as a clown. According to McGuire, it totally transformed her personality.

"Philathea never fails to see the positive in her life. This allows her to overcome the negative things she faces everyday," McGuire said. "She once said, 'I never had much, but I always lived comfortably, or at least I enjoyed what I had.'"

The next person discussed was Florence, a woman of simple pleasures and simple rural life. Her mother was a nurse, and her father was a surgeon who

met at a medical convention.

"My father died of Scarlet Fever when I was 3 months old," said McGuire as Florence.

At a New Jersey elite school, she felt inferior to the other girls. She spent two years at the University of Pennsylvania which was very expensive during the depression.

"The less you have the happier you are," said McGuire, reading Florence's interview.

She married Cecil, one of her brother's friends, and now has pets because her family has died off. She likes animals more than people and enjoys visiting the library.

Ethyl, the subject of the next interview read, was born in 1906 and really liked the experience of working young.

"After marriage, I worked at a boarding house. Now I live alone, and write monthly to my children. I have come to accept the fact that this is what God has given me, and I make the best of it," said McGuire as Ethyl.

Hannah, another woman whose interview was read, was 93 and was determined to be educated and become a teacher when she was young. Later in her life she married, and although she now feels very lonely having sacrificed her dreams to marry, she is happy she was able to add years onto her husband's life.

"Society does not honor them as having a source of information and knowledge," said McGuire about how society views the women in her interviews. "They are a resource, a fountain of information."

After the readings, McGuire listed the older women's needs and wants. They included activity, respect, mobility, and meaningful relationships.

All the women in her study were 80 or older and lived in rural areas. Some basic themes in all the women's lives were; education, work, responsibility, sexuality, humor, and adaptability.

"I did enjoy knowing these women," said McGuire. "They were not marking time. In their hearts, they were still young women."

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"We would find other duties that they could fulfill," Collier said. "We're always looking for students to do dispatching and clerical duties."

Shaw said the EMTA is also interested in leasing or purchasing a piece of land where a satellite parking lot could be built and where the busses would be able to run back and forth from the lot to the campus.

"Parking on campus is very difficult and it's also a very big issue on campus," Shaw said.

Shaw said that this is not the first time EMTA has proposed this idea to Mansfield University.

"We proposed this last year at this time but it never went anywhere because we didn't work for it," Shaw said.

According to Shaw, EMTA is a non-profit organization.

"We're a quasi-government entity and we're non-profit," Shaw said.

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According to Nesbit, the current policy for library use of non-university patrons is that since MU is a state supported institution, the library is open to everyone.

"We certainly encourage the use of the library by area students and we do this by giving tours, library user instruction, and inter-library loan service," stated Nesbit.

According to Nesbit, there have been numerous complaints by MU stu-

dents about non-university personnel using the facilities at North Hall.

"Pornography is not the only problem. If they are using the North Hall computers, they are supposed to be doing academic work, not playing," Krieder said. "MU students have first priority over use of resources and facilities of North Hall."

Krieder said that if someone has a complaint about another library patron, they are to contact the librarian at the front desk.

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problem, but feels it should be up to the students.

"If someone gets e-mail and it can be used for school, that is one thing.

But students who print out a letter mom sent asking what they want from Santa Claus or a four page story about Smurfs having sex, that is just a waste," he said. "Students need to reevaluate the things they think need to be printed out."



# MU Marching Band receives new uniforms

by David O'Brien  
staff reporter

For the first time in fifty years, Mansfield Universities Marching Band This semester has seen many important events in Mansfield history, one of which being the arrival of the new uniforms for the Marching Band.

The Mansfield University Marching Band celebrated the dedication of North Hall on October 26, wearing their first new uniforms in 16 years.

According to Dr. Adam Brennan, MU music department chairperson and marching band director, the uniforms were replaced at an expense of \$47,250.

The new uniforms are replacing old ones, which the band found to be dry-rotting in storage and no longer cleanable, Brennan said. As the years of use and cleaning progressed, the strength of the old uniform's material declined.

"They lived well beyond their usefulness," Brennan, said.

According to Vice-President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco, a report made three years ago by Brennan's predecessor Dr. Joseph Murphy informed the Council of Trustees that there would eventually be a need to replace the uniforms.

At the time, Murphy's rough estimate of the cost of the new uniforms was \$100,000. According to Maresco, Murphy had asked the finance committee to set aside a sum of \$2000 per year for five years in anticipation of this expense.

Shortly after attaining the po-

sition as chairperson of the music department, Brennan approached the finance committee with a formal estimate for the uniforms from the Feccheimer National uniform company. The estimate was much less than anticipated and under the direction of Brennan, the marching band was able to save nearly \$5,000 by keeping the hats from the old uniforms, said Brennan.

According to Maresco, since the music department did not have the necessary funds needed to purchase the much needed uniforms, the finance committee endowed them with a loan which is currently being repaid by with an activities fee.

"The members of the band are very grateful to the Student Government Association and the administration for providing the new uniforms," Brennan said.

According to Brennan, the music department has a yearly budget of less than \$4,000, of which half goes toward the cost of meals provided at university sponsored music camps here on campus.

When traveling, the marching band requires the use of two charter coach buses and one equipment van, equaling out to one hour trips at a cost of \$800 each. Another added expense is the semesterly cleaning of the band's uniforms which can amount up to \$700, at an individual cost of \$40 per uniform, Brennan said.

Even though the much anticipated arrival of the new uniforms has arrived, the marching band performed through two-thirds of the season without them, including MU's first home



photo by Brent McCallus

MU Marching Band displays their new uniforms after 16 years of awaiting the funding.

game of the semester.

In conjunction with Feccheimer National, Brennan assisted in the design and creation of a versatile uniform which is worn with optional cape or sash.

According to Tom Beers, junior and member of the marching band, in years past the MU Marching Band has been seen as one of the best in the state.

"Ever since Dr. Brennan has come, numbers are increasing and the university is taking an interest in the band once again," Beers said.

Brennan said he is very pleased to be working with the students.

"The band has a real family atmosphere," Brennan said. "It's been ex-

citing to watch it (the Marching Band) grow and I look forward to seeing it continue to grow."

Presently, there are enough of the new uniforms to accommodate an additional 20 students to the marching band's current 106 members. In order to continue to provide uniforms with enough range in size to fit band members, there will be five to 10 uniforms ordered each year.

According to Brennan, the new uniforms are a major recruitment tool which makes the Marching Band a showpiece that attracts new students.

"MU is a well-kept secret, the Marching Band is a great vehicle for getting that secret out," said Brennan.

## Students discuss role of international culture at MU

by Krissy Dennis  
staff reporter

International and American students gathered in the Martin Luther King Center in Memorial Hall Thursday to discuss multi-culturalism and adjusting to a new society.

The weekly meeting of the International Discussion Hour, which was attended by about 20 students, dealt with discussion of this week's topics, "Higher Education, Leadership and Community Development, 'Brain Drain' and Personal Responsibility."

Annie Cooper, director of multicultural affairs, began the hour by describing American culture as a melting pot society. Cooper believes that people come to this country and are expected to easily blend into one American culture which is not always easy.

"People (from other countries)

want to take advantage of America's free society," Cooper said. "However, they are expected to give up their own culture in place of American culture."

Sometimes international students have a hard time fitting into a new culture and find it to be mentally and physically exhausting, Cooper said. She referred to this phenomenon as "brain drain."

Some international students present echoed these thoughts and claimed they do sometimes have a hard time in their new culture and stated that it is easier for them to speak their own language when they are together.

Other international students expressed that there are times when they feel alone and forced to integrate into American culture because there are no other students with the same cultural background at the university.

"It is up to you if you want keep your (cultural) background or change it",

said Lebanese student Ibrahim Khadra.

Since Khadra is the only student from Lebanon in Mansfield he finds it a struggle to try to keep his culture alive.

Dr. Elena Pelikh, exchange professor from Russia, explained a little about how small towns in Russia deal with the threat of assimilation.

"The small communities (in Russia) preserve their own cultures," Pelikh said.

Although there is pressure from the government to try and make the Russian society a melting pot, each section of Russia preserves their own unique cultural practices, Pelikh said.

Dr. Pelikh and five Russian stu-

dents came to Mansfield for one semester as part of an exchange program.

"We have come to understand the (American) culture," Pelikh said.

One Japanese student explained that she had a hard time dealing with American communication styles. The student explained that in her culture people are taught to guess what other people are thinking, while in the U.S. there is a demand to explain everything, she said.

Many of the international students said that they miss their countries and a few expressed a wish to return there upon graduation. Many hoped to be able to bring new technologies and ideas home to their cultures.

## SGA talks about teacher's strike rumors

by Tracy Gay  
staff reporter

Rumors about a possible Mansfield teacher's strike were discussed and cleared up at November 11's weekly Student Government Association meeting.

In new business, Priscilla Travis, president of Mansfield University's Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties chapter, was asked to speak about contract negotiations in order to clear up any rumors.

Travis announced that a mediator had been called in to get the State System of Higher Education and APSCUF talking about contract negotiation which, until now, has been slow.

"When negotiations are slow, some people try to negotiate outside (of the system), which is where all of your rumors get started," Travis said. "If you have any questions or concerns feel free to call me or president (Rod) Kelchner."

Travis assured SGA that there can

not be a strike this semester and that on November 15, APSCUF will hold a meeting for a strike vote. Travis believes this will not instigate an immediate strike and said, that if passed, the vote will only allow for a future strike to be called.

In other new business, SGA was informed of a new withdraw policy that has been introduced to faculty senate by Dr. Robert Timko, director of Canadian studies and professor of philosophy.

The proposed policy states that any student attaining a Bachelor's Degree may have a maximum of six withdraws while in college, while students attaining an associates degree may have three withdraws.

The policy also states that students may only withdraw from two classes within their major and that a student must have both their professor's and their advisor's signatures in order to withdraw.

Currently, students have until the Friday of the tenth week of classes to withdraw from classes and are allowed to withdraw from as many classes as they want.



photo provided

From New York City, alternative music band *Please* will be performing on Saturday, November 16th at The Hut at 8pm. The concert is free to students with a valid ID.





## Around the Nation

### Crash witnesses: Sky burst into flame, fireballs fall to earth

CHARKHI DADRI, India (AP) — It was as if the sky itself had caught fire. Two balls of flame plummeted toward Earth, spewing streams of black smoke.

"The sky was absolutely red," said Rao Singh, a building contractor who watched from his home here as a Saudia Airlines plane with 312 people smashed into a Kazakhstan Airlines jet carrying 39 people.

The 351 people on the two planes — one had just taken off, the other was preparing to land — were all believed dead. If so, the crash would be the third-worst in aviation history.

Singh's 19-year-old son, Manjit, was relaxing on the top floor of the three-story house when he heard a deafening explosion and saw the dusk sky light up "like the morning sun."

He jumped onto his motorcycle and raced about two miles across rutted roads and farm fields. After an hour, he reached the smoldering tableau of dismembered bodies and luggage scraps.

The smell of charred flesh was nause-

ating.

"I saw 60 or 70 bodies, but only about 15 were identifiable," he said.

Where pieces of the Saudi plane came down, there was now a five-foot crater.

Police and dozens of fire engines soon arrived, followed by thousands more residents.

Farmer Ram Prasad, who was standing outside his home when the crash shattered the early evening stillness, responded quickly, as did his neighbors. Their own village has no phones, so they rushed to a nearby settlement to call police. Others went directly to the site to offer help.

"We all ran toward it," he said of the fire.

Villagers used their tractors to ferry emergency workers to the wreckage, about a half-mile from the end of the nearest dirt road, torn up by recent flooding.

About six miles away, shards of the Kazak airliner were scattered widely, and rescue workers tried to extricate bodies from the plane. There was no sign of life.

### Task force formed in harassment probe

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A special task force at Fort Bliss will investigate sexual harassment reports similar to those now making headlines at other military installations, the Army post's commanding general says.

Maj. Gen. John Costello said Tuesday a captain and a sergeant have been court-martialed in the past two years for having sex with recruits.

"The United States Army is not gonna

tolerate this type of stuff, and it will tolerate it less than society at large because our rules are tougher," Costello, the post's commander, told El Paso television station KVIA.

Several months ago, female employees here filed a class-action complaint against post officials alleging sexual harassment, discrimination and retaliation.

Costello said both court-martials followed consensual sex between an instructor and a recruit. The captain and sergeant received eight-month jail terms and were booted from the Army, he said.

Twenty-three current and former civilian employees have filed a class-action complaint on behalf of all civilian female workers at the post.

"Everything at Fort Bliss is swept under the rug," Elizabeth St. John, a former placement officer who alleges she was sexually harassed for six years, told the station earlier. "They ignore you. They'll tell you and make promises to you, 'We will help you,' and you know what happens?"

"You end up without a job," she said. "You end up slandered. You end up being the non-team player."

The post's higher headquarters, the Training and Doctrine Command at Fort Monroe, Va., is also investigating the accusations.

Five women at Fort Bliss first filed the class-action, a possible precursor to a class-action lawsuit, on May 6.

## Jesse Jackson calls for Texaco boycott, picketing

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson is urging motorists to drive by the Texaco star and buy gas elsewhere in an effort to force the company to settle a race-discrimination lawsuit.

Along with a national boycott, picketing will begin Saturday at Texaco sites unless the \$520 million lawsuit is settled by then, Jackson said. Texaco executives are accused of using racial slurs against blacks in a secretly recorded 1994 conversation about the case.

Jackson said even after a settlement, the boycott will continue until an equal-opportunity plan is on the table.

"There is a culture here that must be challenged, a culture that must be changed," he said outside Texaco's headquarters in suburban Westchester County. "We have to change this culture using our economic sanctions, our disciplined dollars."

Jackson said he and other black leaders who met with Texaco Chairman Peter Bijur on Tuesday were also urging investors to sell off their company stock.

Bijur said the discussion at company headquarters — and one earlier Tuesday in Baltimore with NAACP President Kweisi Mfume — were "a significant help to Texaco," but he denounced the boycott.

"Boycotts are divisive," Bijur said. "Boycotts, in my view, cause economic disruption."

He also said a settlement of the lawsuit before Saturday was unlikely, though "very high" on his agenda.

Jackson said the civil rights leaders were impressed with Bijur's attitude and his "personal regrets for racism and sexism."

"(But) it becomes his burden to get the

kind of management teams that will open up the company," Jackson said.

"I hope that ... you will drive past Texaco and get gas someplace else," he told reporters.

Daniel Berger, a plaintiffs' lawyer, said he was "obviously very grateful for any help" from the boycott. He confirmed that lawyers were trying to settle the suit, filed on behalf of 1,400 minority workers.

Transcripts of a tape-recorded conversation, filed last week in support of the lawsuit, contends that Texaco executives had used the word "niggers" and described black workers as "black jelly beans."

A report by a Texaco-hired investigator, however, said "niggers" was not on the tape. The report also said the jelly-bean remark was not intended as a racial slur, but stemmed from an analogy used in a speech attended by Texaco executives. The colors of the beans were used to refer to different races.

The executives also allegedly discussed how to hide or destroy documents sought by the plaintiffs in the lawsuit. The investigator's report on whether documents were withheld is not complete.

A federal grand jury is investigating whether executives illegally destroyed documents on minority hiring.

The statements were recorded by an executive, Richard Lundwall, who attended meetings of the company's finance department. He said he taped them to make sure the minutes he kept would be accurate. After Lundwall's position was eliminated, he retired, then later turned the tapes over to one of the lawyers suing Texaco for discrimination.

### Study: Cholesterol drugs reduce stroke risk

Heart disease patients have another reason to keep their cholesterol down — it may cut their chances of having a stroke, according to researchers at Bowman Gray School of Medicine.

An analysis of previous studies involving heart attack survivors showed those who took drugs that cut their cholesterol had 32 percent fewer strokes than those who took dummy pills.

Strokes are common after heart attacks. They are the third-leading cause of death in the United States, behind heart disease and cancer, and the leading cause of serious disability.

The analysis, done by doctors at Bowman Gray in Winston-Salem, N.C., was released Wednesday at the American Heart Association meeting in New Orleans.

Sales of these cholesterol-lowering drugs, known as statins, are among the fastest growing in the country, thanks to recent research showing they can prevent heart attacks and related deaths.

Drug makers spend tens of millions of dollars every year aggressively promoting these studies in full-page advertisements in major national magazines and newspapers.

The Bowman Gray study is the first to show statins can also help prevent strokes, said Dr. John Crouse, a professor of medicine and public health services who directed the research. The work was funded by the school, but the doctors involved have done research for the makers of the drugs in the past, he said.

The study involved the drugs Pravachol, made by Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. and Mevacor and Zocor, made by Merck &

Co. All three sell \$1 billion or more per year.

James Keeney, a securities analyst with Rodman & Renshaw in Boston said these companies won't be the only ones to benefit from the research. One example might be Sandoz Ltd.'s Lescol.

"I think it fuels the overall growth of the market. It doesn't seem to give any advantage to one drug or another," he said, noting that sales of statin drugs are already growing at 40 percent per year.

Although the drug makers would need permission from the Food and Drug Administration before using this new study in advertising, word of mouth among doctors is likely to accelerate sales of the drugs even more.

"This is another important reason for doctors to be aggressive in treatment of patients with elevated cholesterol, certainly in patients who've had a heart attack," said Crouse. "This benefit is sort of a freebie from the drugs."

In the analysis of 11,000 heart attack survivors drawn from 12 studies, there was an average of 4.9 strokes per 1,000 patients per year among those who took statin drugs, Crouse said. That compares with a rate of 7.1 for those who took a placebo or dummy pill.

Rochelle Trujillo, a spokeswoman for the National Stroke Association in Englewood, Colo. said her organization has always suspected a link between high cholesterol and stroke.

"We've never quite understood the connection so this study is exciting in that it is showing a definite link for the first time," she said.

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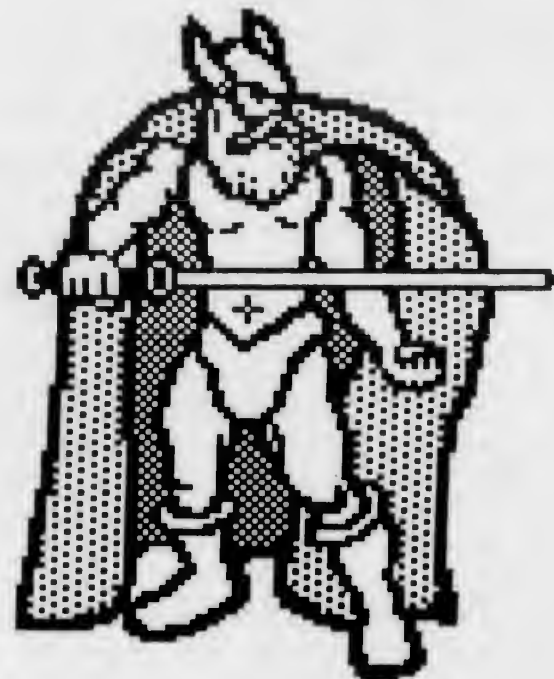
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**SIGMA MOVIE NIGHT.** 8 p.m. Saturdays at the Hut. Featuring: Nov. 16th: *Toy Story* and Nov. 23rd: *Jumanji*. It's free!!!

Special event! "Please," on national tour is passing through the area and will perform at 8 p.m. with hits from their 4th CD! Zanzibar Deuce! 11 p.m.-1 p.m., Karaoke Party! With Bobby K Productions. Saturday, November 16. Sponsored by the Student Activities Office and Phi Beta Sigma.

Do you ever wonder if there are other people in this world with a learning or physical disability? Well, you're not alone! Studnets Overcoming Life's Difficulties (SOLD) can help!!! There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, November 20 at 3 p.m. in 207 Retan for all interested people. If you are interested or have any questions call Tori at x5160.

**EAR RINGS!** Actually, 2 ear rings were forgotten by blood donors. They can be claimed at the Student Union Office room 209 Memorial Hall.



The MU Public Relations Society is working on a long-term project to recognize the contributions of all campus organizations to the community. The group hopes to highlight one of your special events. Could you please provide us with a list of the special events your organizations does as a service to the community and return it by: 11/18/96, to: Alexandra Nolan, room 403 South Hall. Thanks for your cooperation and continued community efforts!

Forum. An opportunity for students and faculty members to discuss issues of interest and importance. Place: Laurel Lounge, Date: Tuesday, November 19, 1996, Time: 7:30 p.m. Come and ask our Russian visitors about Life in Russia before, during and after the fall of the U.S.S.R. Moderators: Rod Kelchner, Discussants: Alexander Kubyshkin, Elena Pelikh, Tatiana Anisimova, Liliya Borotova, Alexander Grishin, Maxim Kubyshkin, Irina Levenberg, Anna Trishina, Snezhana Vedernikova.

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## Students to ride to and from classes

The Endless Mountains Transportation Agency may soon be contracted to provide bussing services to Mansfield University students. This service would provide us with mostly on-campus and some off-campus transportation, all for a slight increase in our student activities fee (around \$8 to \$10). We here at The Flashlight believe that this is an idea that should have been implemented long ago. While the campus is really not all that big, everyone has days when the only thing that keeps them from going to class is the thought of having to walk in the rain, snow, or subzero temperatures to get to there. It would also make it much easier to make it to class in those hard to reach locations, such as Decker. A service such as this one could feasibly raise class attendance significantly. And it would certainly make getting there much less painful.

Another benefit of this proposed service would be scheduled weekly trips to the Arnot Mall and other local shopping venues. Most of the students on campus lack a means of transportation other than their own two feet. A service such as this one would make it much easier for them to get off campus, shop, and see movies. It would also offer an alternative to driving for those students who might be tired or short on gas money. As Mansfield is so far away from malls, movie theaters, and similar locales, it stands to reason that the university should either provide us with a way to get to places where we can do things we enjoy, or give us things to do here in Mansfield. Up to now, we have not had any of the former or very much of the latter. It is about time we were offered an easy way to get off campus.

It seems that a lot of thought will need to go into the implementation of a bus route on campus. The location of bus stops, where the route will run, and what times will be most beneficial to students going to and coming back from class are all questions that need to be answered. EMTA says that the busses will run on a 30 minute schedule and will be circling the entire campus for those 30 minutes.

Apparently the service is also going to go downtown during the lunch hour, but it seems that more frequent trips to BiLo, Wal-Mart, and other local but far away businesses might be something that the students would benefit from. The service will run its loop once every half hour. It seems like a loop of the entire campus couldn't possibly take that long. Maybe a few stops in downtown Mansfield could be worked into each loop.

Luckily, the university is not forgetting about the student workers that are currently employed running the campus van parking lot loops. They will be given other duties in the police station, such as dispatching and clerical duties, and possibly elsewhere on campus. Hopefully these extra student workers will be used in positions that are currently understaffed or lacking on campus, and not simply paid to do something that too many people are already working on. Hopefully the vans that were formerly running the escort service will be put to good use as well, by providing more available transportation for classes and organizations that want to experience life outside of Mansfield.

The downside of this whole issue is that the university apparently does not see this as enough of a necessity to provide it for us. Instead, we will have to pay for it through increased activities fees. So we get the illusion that the university is providing us with more and more services, while our costs continue to rise. Even though this is not the ideal situation, it seems that the benefits provided by the EMTA campus bussing service will offset the small increase in activity fees. It will be up to us as students to take advantage of the service so that we get our money's worth. Maybe if we do then the administration will offer some other services that we need.

## MU Professor praises editorial

In response to your "Strike won't buy quality for students" editorial in the November 8th Flashlight, I would like to offer the following observations. First, it is good that the newspaper is participating in a discussion of the issues; one of the complaints on campus is about student apathy, and the Flashlight, at least, is not apathetic. I hope that your readers also looked at the message from the faculty and APSCUF (the faculty union) on page nine. As you know, there are many issues on both sides of the negotiations table.

Any contract negotiation period is always a time of stress, rumors, misinformation, rhetoric and uncertainty. These aspects of the negotiation process are unavoidable. What is important, however, is for those not involved directly in the negotiations to take the time to seek information from both sides using the spokespeople and official sources of information provided by each side. For information from APSCUF anyone may call the APSCUF Hotline at 1-800-932-0587

(press '5' for the Hotline prerecorded message) or you may access the APSCUF web page at [www.apscuf.com](http://www.apscuf.com). You may also call me, Priscilla Travis, at 662-4785.

For the State System's contract proposals, click on 'SSHE' on the Mansfield homepage. For information from Mansfield's academic administration about the State System proposals and position, President Kelchner would be the best source. Faculty and administrators who are not involved in the negotiations may not have the most current or correct information, and some individuals may wish to put their own spin on the events and issues.

Comments on individual paragraphs in the editorial: (1) Regarding faculty standards of performance: the current contract specifies detailed standards of faculty performance which include, among other things, a minimum of five office hours per week on no fewer than three different days. If students continue to have a problem finding faculty at their office hours, students should

contact the appropriate department chairperson to ask for help finding the faculty member.

The contract specifies a number of other professional duties which are expected to perform, and most of Mansfield's faculty are accountable for a high standard of performance. (2) "Students as bargaining chips:" students are not chips, but they are unavoidably entangled in educational quality issues. APSCUF has defended its negotiation proposals in terms of their effect on educational quality and student learning. Student interests have been placed first in APSCUF discussions of quality.

All of us, students, faculty, and administrators, have a stake in a prompt and equitable resolution of the contract negotiations. Mansfield, in particular, has a tradition of harmonious relationships between the three groups which is important to preserve for the good of us all. Please continue to participate in a reasoned discussion of the issues, and seek information from reliable sources on both sides.

Dr. Priscilla Travis

## Request for more computer teachers to accomodate students

Since I am a Computer Science major, my opinion about this is biased. Still I think that almost any student would find it somewhat unsettling that the university will not hire another person to teach Computer Science. This is even more disturbing since there is some consideration being given to adding a computer course as a general education requirement.

The Computer Science program is one of the more successful programs at this university. Many of its students leave here and start out in positions paying well over \$30,000 a year. In recent semesters, almost every CIS major was hired into a major related job less than a couple of months after graduation. Many of them had jobs

lined up well before diploma time. This year the number of CIS majors increased from about 50 to almost 80 students. Many of the CIS classes are filled or larger than they should be. There are currently two majors, three minors, and an associate degree program supported by the three faculty members.

Computer related jobs are always near the top of those 'best career' lists that you see around. The computer field is growing rapidly and computer skills are required by almost every job field. Since this is proven fact, wouldn't it make sense to expand Mansfield's computer science program by hiring more faculty? Not so long ago the CIS department had four faculty. Why not bring them back up to that level?

According to President Kelchner, as stated at a recent meeting of organizational leaders, this university has one of the lowest freshman retention rates of the 14 SSHE schools.

There is generally a correlation between an increase in faculty and an increase in enrollment. Yes we are short on funds in all areas, or so we are told. More students means more funds. I think that this university needs to take a serious look at which programs are producing results and currently have a rising demand and a large job base. We then need to shift more resources to those programs and make cuts in the less productive ones. Tactics like this can only make Mansfield a better place to prepare for a future.

Rustin Kreider

## New ideas for laundry payment

Your laundry is piled so high, that if you put one more soiled shirt on top of the pile, you have to pray that it doesn't topple over and consume your room. You only have one more sweatshirt you can wear inside out and get by without anyone noticing. And people have started rumors about the stench that is coming from your room. That means only one thing: time for a trip to the laundry room.

So you pull out your blue bottle of All laundry detergent, wipe away the cobwebs, and then proceed to look for that long rectangle shaped box of Bounce drier sheets. Oh, yes, then you need to scrape together enough quarters to oper-

ate the horrid machines.

The machines usually cost about \$.75 to operate, and they only take quarters. So just using three machines, to wash and dry your colors and whites, it cost a person \$2.25. This makes it a total of 9 quarters to get your laundry cleaned.

I don't know about you, but trying to find enough quarters to wash my clothes is very frustrating. Especially when everyone else is doing the same thing, or stashing away quarters for future use. Often I don't have enough quarters to dry my laundry and end up hanging it around my room, and hoping that the clothes don't grow moldy.

Wouldn't it be easier if students used a debit card like they do for the copier machine. That way students can put large amounts of money on their card (like ten dollars) and are able to use the machine without worry about finding enough quarters. A student then simply has to bring his or her laundry down to the laundry room, and deposit it into the machines, insert his or her card, and only has to worry about how much is on the card.

Of course this concept wouldn't make washing clothes any less of an ordeal, but it will make being able to wash them easier. Katherine Lucey



Commentary

DC cleared bomb suspect faces hurdles in lawsuits

WASHINGTON (AP) — After enduring what he called an 88-day nightmare of intense FBI and news-media scrutiny, Richard Jewell is waking up to a harsh reality: Some harms have no legal remedies.

Jewell is no longer a suspect in the FBI's investigation of the Olympic bombing in Atlanta, and his lawyers are considering suing the bureau and some news organizations that reported he was under agents' scrutiny.

But legal experts say winning such lawsuits will not be easy.

"It's unfortunate these things happen, but there's not recourse for every injury," said Timothy Dyk, a Washington lawyer who represents news media clients. "It's going to be very difficult for Mr. Jewell to recover, either from the FBI or the news media."

In any action against the news media, Jewell certainly would be able to prove he was portrayed as the chief suspect in a probe of the July 27 bombing that killed two and injured 111 people.

Jewell's problem is that anonymous law enforcement sources were leaking

information about him to news reporters. Unless he can prove news organizations strayed from what they were told, what was published would not amount to libel.

Because Jewell was first hailed as a hero, he probably would have to pursue any libel lawsuit as a "public figure" someone who faces a stiffer standard of proof.

Public officials and public figures who sue the news media for libel must prove the allegedly libelous statements were false and were made with "actual malice" knowledge or reckless disregard of falsity. Private citizens must prove only that the statements were false and made negligently.

Jane Kirtley of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press said the higher standard Jewell faces makes unlikely his chances of winning a libel suit.

Could Jewell successfully pursue claims against news media defendants for invasion of privacy or intentional infliction of emotional distress?

Those areas of the law are less clear than libel, and Kirtley acknowledges

"the increasing willingness of courts to look sympathetically at such claims" when news organizations are sued.

But libel-law expert Bruce Sanford, who represents newspapers, said Jewell's grievance amounts to a complaint that news organizations did their job.

"To a large extent, he is scapegoating the news media," Sanford said. "This was an irresistible news story for the media to report. They'd be crazy not to."

If Jewell sues the FBI, his best claim likely would be tied to the agency's search of his home and confiscation of his property.

A 1971 Supreme Court decision allows private citizens to sue federal agents for alleged violations of the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures.

Jewell would have to prove that the FBI lacked "probable cause" to believe he had been engaged in any crime when it sought and obtained court warrants to search his apartment, car and a storage unit.

A federal judge has released copies of

the affidavits FBI agents submitted when seeking the warrants, but many sentences and paragraphs were blacked out.

"What's left doesn't present a particularly strong case for probable cause," said Kathryn Urbonya, a Georgia State University law professor. But Urbonya said the blacked-out material makes it hard to tell for sure.

Jewell's lawyers contend that the affidavits are full of lies. Even if that were the case, misrepresentations would be relevant only if FBI agents knew their informants were lying or recklessly disregarded the truth.

Because federal officials enjoy what the courts call "qualified immunity," Jewell might not win a lawsuit against the FBI even if he proved the searches and seizures occurred without probable cause.

He also would have to prove that FBI agents could not possibly have believed the searches were justified. If a court concluded a "reasonable mistake" had occurred, Jewell's Fourth Amendment claim would fail.

Clause C of proposition 209 causes controversy in California

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Seldom has a single sentence in a California ballot measure generated as much suspicion, confusion and vehemence as Clause C of Proposition 209.

Individually, the 31 words of the clause are not obscure: "Nothing in this section shall be interpreted as prohibiting bona fide qualifications based on sex which are reasonably necessary to the normal operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting."

But their meaning is far from self-evident, as shown by a pitched battle between two groups of law professors.

One consists of opponents of the initiative, led by constitutional law professor Erwin Chemerinsky of the University of Southern California.

These professors say Clause C would weaken the state's constitutional safeguards against sex discrimination, make it easier for government agencies to exclude women in jobs like firefighting, and threaten funding for girls' sports teams.

The other group is led by Eugene Volokh, a constitutional law professor at UCLA, and consists mostly but not entirely of supporters of the initiative. They say Clause C simply guarantees that the anti-preference language elsewhere in Proposition 209 will not undermine protections that already exist.

Who can a voter believe?

In a sporting contest, the odds would favor Volokh's view. Regardless of whose analysis is more plausible, courts have tended to accept supporters' interpretation of a ballot measure, if that vision has been communicated to the voters. The "no effect" view is stated in the pro-209 arguments that are part of the ballot pamphlet mailed to every voter.

Even Chemerinsky says he isn't sure how courts would rule (in contrast to Volokh, who has said he has "no respect" for opposing arguments). And former state Supreme Court Justice Joseph Grodin, now a law professor who endorses Chemerinsky's analysis, says he would find Clause C to have no effect

on sex discrimination if he were a judge.

Still, some voters may want more certainty that their rights won't be threatened. Such assurances may be impossible for any aspect of Proposition 209, particularly Clause C.

"I don't have any certainty whatsoever," says Chemerinsky about his analysis. "I just think it's a risk not worth taking."

Volokh argues that Clause C, by limiting its effect to "this section," leaves undisturbed a state constitutional ban on sex discrimination in employment, passed in 1879. In 1971, the state Supreme Court interpreted that ban to provide the same strict level of protection that has been traditionally applied against race discrimination a judicial equivalent of an Equal Rights Amendment for California.

Why was Clause C needed? According to Volokh, to prevent Proposition 209's no-discrimination language from eliminating reasonable sex classifications now allowed in California: for example, in bathrooms, strip searches and sports teams.

That rationale is similar to claims that once were made against the ERA, and is far from airtight. As Chemerinsky notes, state anti-discrimination laws can't repeal the right to privacy, which so far has protected single-sex bathrooms and same-sex strip searches. He says federal civil rights law lets states keep boys off girls' sports teams.

The case that Clause C repeals protections for women is harder to make. Chemerinsky says past court rulings have interpreted some broadly worded new constitutional amendments as repeals of older laws on the subject. There is at least a risk, he says, that state courts would find Proposition 209 to be a comprehensive rewrite of California civil rights law, displacing the 1879 constitutional amendment on sex discrimination.

In that event, Chemerinsky says, Clause C which allows sex distinctions that are "reasonably necessary for the normal operation"

Thanksgiving Break Hours of Operation

November 26- December 1, 1996

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Brunch	Closed	Closed	Closed
Dinner	Closed	4:30pm-8:00pm Board Plan	4:30pm- 6pm Board Plan

Have a Great Break!



# Out of Context

## Impunctuating: the tragic misuse of the '

by Katie Gallagher  
staff punctuation marker

One thing I really cannot tolerate is this country's ongoing misuse of apostrophes. To the average person, an apostrophe may appear to be merely one fourth of a set of quotation marks. To me, however, it is a very misunderstood punctuation mark which doesn't get nearly the respect it deserves. My mission in life, my quest, is to teach America to use the apostrophe correctly.

The proper use of an apostrophe is simple and takes very little time to learn. There are two basic rules for apostrophe usage:

1. To show the omission of letters, as in the commonly (mis)used contraction "it's." The apostrophe stands in for the vacationing letter *i*. A more poetic example of this use is the contraction "o'er," frequently used in verse and song because it's easier to say and fit in without the letter *v*.

2. To show possession, as in "My dog's squeak toy" or "Billy's mother's boyfriend's wallet." The latter may require a brief explanation for those readers who do not consider themselves apostrophe aficionados. The wallet belongs to the boyfriend, the boyfriend belongs to the mother, and the mother belongs to Billy.

The importance of correct apostrophe placement with regard to possession can be easily illustrated. Think about the different ways which the name "Mark's Brother's" can be altered simply by changing the apostrophes.

First, the name as it is now, "Mark's Brother's" means that the restaurant belongs to the brother of Mark (Who is Mark anyway, and why did his brother name the restaurant after the two of them? Mark must be a pretty important guy, at least as far as his brother is concerned). Let's explore some of the variations on this theme:

1. If we took one apostrophe out, we'd be left with "Mark's brothers," meaning the restaurant would be named after, but not owned by, the brothers of Mark.

2. If we put the apostrophe at the end of the name, it would have yet another meaning. "Mark's Brothers" would mean that the restaurant belongs to the brothers (plural) of Mark.

3. We could also omit the apostrophe from "Mark's" and leave it at the end of "Brothers." We would then be left with "Marks Brothers," meaning that the restaurant belongs to brothers whose last name is Marks.

As you can see, the possibilities are virtually endless. This leads to annoying little punctuation errors.

I have noticed in the past few years that the misuse of apostrophes is frequent and widespread. Flower shops contribute greatly to this problem. There are often signs in their windows that read "Carnation's \$7.95 a dozen" or "Valentine's Day special- Rose's \$9.99." (Note that the apostrophe in "Valentine's" is used correctly, whereas the one on "Rose's" is yet another sad testimony to the lack of punctuation respect in today's society.)

It takes all of my willpower to walk past an otherwise respectable place

of business that has made a mockery of the apostrophe. I find it extremely hard to not walk in and strangle the owner, clerk, signmaker, customer, or other innocent bystander on which I can pin the blame for such an atrocity.

I had to wrestle with this issue frequently this summer. Every morning on my way to work and every afternoon on my way home, I had to pass a flower shop. It happened to be one of the evil, apostrophe misusing kind I mentioned earlier. Twice a day I had to look at that incorrect sign, grimacing, reminding myself that it would be morally wrong and against the law to stop in and kill Audrey, the owner. (No joke, no "Little Shop of Horrors" reference- her name really is Audrey.)

Coming to Mansfield this August, I thought that I could finally escape from my punctuation problem. After all, this is a college campus where people are (or are in the process of being) educated. For a while, I did live a

peaceful existence without the improper usage of apostrophes around me to contribute to my increasing stress level.

Then it happened. One day, one of the sororities decorated their pledges' doors. A couple of pledges live on my floor, and in order to go to the elevator or the bathroom, I must pass their rooms. Among the colorful handmade decorations were paper cutouts of hands that read, "Door tag Your it." It took all I had not to take my permanent marker and change the incorrect "your" to the proper form "you're." (If confused, refer to rule #2. The apostrophe in this case fills in for the missing *a*).

If you've managed to put up with my tirade until this point, congratulations. You've made it to the moral of my story: the proper use of apostrophes can promote good mental health in people like myself and may just lead to the outbreak of world peace. (Sure, the world peace thing is a stretch, but it sounds good).



### FIVE STAR DINING

RESERVED DINING ON  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1996  
AT 6PM IN NORTH DINING HALL

MENU  
SEASONAL SQUASH AND  
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LEEK, WILD MUSHROOM AND  
SEASONAL GREEN SALAD  
CARVED SMOKED TURKEY WITH  
A CRANBERRY PISTACHIO STUFFING  
GRILLED FILLET OF SALMON  
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# A message from the faculty

Dear State System Student:

You know us - we're your professors. You also probably know that as of today contract negotiations between the faculty union, APSCUF, and the State System are stalled. Perhaps you haven't been told why the negotiations process has failed to produce tangible results.

The answer is simple. APSCUF refuses to sacrifice the quality of your State System education - today or in the future.

We have long been supporters of this unique network of 14 universities. Our organization began in 1937 as a professional faculty organization at Pennsylvania's Teacher Colleges. From day one, we took great pride in delivering on the promise of higher education.

The fact is APSCUF was the driving force behind Act 188 which in 1982 created the State System of Higher Education. It was a team of local professors, state APSCUF officers, and APSCUF's staff that made the State System a reality. Today APSCUF continues to work hard on Capitol Hill on behalf of both the State System and you, our 95,000 students.

It's clear that the focus of this contract negotiation is QUALITY. Your professors don't just want to maintain quality, we want to ENHANCE it! The State System is proposing contract language that would diminish the faculty's role in shared governance and lead to an overall erosion of the quality education the faculty works hard to deliver.

The State System's mission is to provide high quality, public higher education to Pennsylvanians. But as we examine the State System's contract proposals, we believe System management deserves an "F" in quality management.

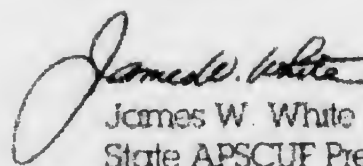
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**QUALITY**  
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As your professors, we are proud of the fact that we instruct you every day - not graduate assistants. When you have problems, we are there to offer guidance and support. If the State System's current proposals were enacted, you would be greeted by a dramatic increase in temporary faculty and teaching associates, as well as graduate assistants teaching without direct guidance from a faculty member.

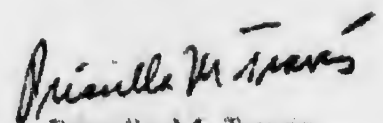
Do you want to be instructed by this increasing number of temporary faculty who are often full-time employees elsewhere? Or by graduate assistants who are just now working on their masters degrees and may well have been your classmates the previous semester? APSCUF faculty feel you pay for quality instruction not shortcuts!

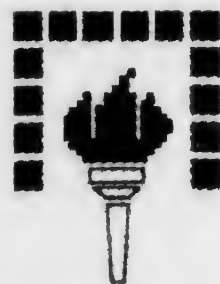
Please share your feelings with both faculty and university management. Faculty members will be honored to discuss issues with you. Look for the button they wear proudly. And, when you see university managers, let them know you pay for quality - not shortcuts!

Sincerely,

  
James W. White  
State APSCUF President

Sincerely,

  
Priscilla M. Travis  
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# SPORTS

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The Flashlight

Friday, Nov. 15, 1996

## Mountie football shutsout the Cheyney Wolves

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team snapped a five game losing streak with their shut-out victory Saturday, November 9 over Cheyney University.

In a game that could best be summed up as the "mud bowl" the Mounties proved victorious picking up their third win of the season with a 14-0 victory over the Wolves.

"The team felt it was a game we could win," Junior runningback Jason Donadi said. "We had a real good week of practice and we played like we knew we could."

The Mounties took control of the game early in the first quarter. After a botched punt by the Wolves, Mansfield took over control at the Cheyney 43-yard line. After nine plays, the Mounties drove the ball to the 10-yard line. But MU just couldn't cash in. A fake field goal attempt that was mishandled gave Cheyney possession of the ball and downs.

That was how the score stood until late in the second quarter. Donadi

FOOTBALL	
MOUNTIES	14
CHEYNEY	0

carried the ball 16-yards for the first score of the game putting Mansfield up by six. Kicker Jason Johnston's extra point made the score 7-0 in favor of the Mounties.

But Cheyney answered right back with a scoring drive of their own. With less than five seconds to go in the half Cheyney's Kevin Harmon attempted an 18-yard field goal that was no good. Mansfield would keep the lead going into the locker rooms.

Mansfield came out of the half ready to play. Late in the third quarter Cheyney's quarterback Apollo Wright threw an interception pass right into the hands of senior Jim Nicholson giving the Mounties possession of the ball at the Cheyney 35-yard line. Seven plays later, freshman quarterback Lucas Smith connected with senior Joe Povenski for nine yards. The Johnston extra point increased the Mounties lead to 14.

That was how the score would



Photo by Thad Woodward

Junior runningback Jason Donadi attempts to become Mansfield's first 1000 yard rusher this Saturday.

stand as the Mounties improved their record to 3-7 while Cheyney fell to 0-10 on the season.

This game marked the first time the Mounties have compiled two shutouts in a season since 1975.

For the Mounties, Donadi had another solid game rushing 101-yards on 20 carries. Donadi has totaled 866-yards on the ground this season, less than 150-

yards off the record setting mark of a 1000 yard season. Freshman Lee Brannon also played well picking up 51 yards on 10 carries while fellow freshman Nate Davis contributed 26-yards on just three carries.

The Mountie defense played a great game behind senior Joel Kargbo who had nine tackles, including three for a 10-yard loss. He also was in on two sacks for eight yards.

Freshman John Grier picked up seven tackles in the game including one for a seven yard loss and one pass break-up.

Freshman Rich Entrot had five tackles, one for a two yard loss and had one pass break up along with a sack for five yards.

The Mounties last game of the season will be this Saturday against Clarion University.

This game will feature eight Mountie graduating seniors. Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. at Karl Van Norman Field.

"Coming off a win is definitely going to help us have the mental advantage over Clarion," Johnston said. "It means a lot to us to get the seniors out with a win."

## Mountaineers looking to play spoilers against Clarion

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

Fresh off of a 14-0 victory against Cheyney University this past weekend, the Mountaineers make their return home to Karl Van Norman Field for the last game of the 1996 season.

This game will mark the end of careers for eight Mountie players among them Nate Gibson, Joel Kargbo, Jim Nicholson, Joe Povenski, Tim Savage, Joe Scriba, Mike Sedun, and Pete Sherman. They will be honored before the game this weekend against nationally ranked Clarion University.

The Golden Eagles come into

Van Norman Field with an impressive 8-2 record. Their only two losses came against Division I-AA power, Youngstown state (51-10) and Edinboro (48-35).

Mansfield has the chance to play the spoiler this weekend as Clarion needs to win this game to ensure themselves the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) West crown.

The Mounties' junior tailback, Jason Donadi, needs just 134 yards to become the first running back in school history to rush for 1,000 yards in one season. Last week against Cheyney, Donadi rushed for 101-yards on 20 carries including a 16-yard touchdown. Right now he has 866 yards on 238 car-

ries, which ranks him sixth in the PSAC. Mansfield as a team is ranked tenth in the conference with a 139.0 yards per game average.

Other key offensive performances last week include freshman quarterback Lucas Smith's 12 for 26 for 163 yards, including a nine yard touchdown pass to tight end, Joe Povenski. Povenski not only pulled that pass down, but he grabbed another six passes enroute to a career high 107-yards.

Freshman Lee Brannon carried the ball ten times for 51-yards, and Nate Davis had two catches for 47-yards and three carries for 26-yards.

Senior Joel Kargbo's performance of nine tackles (eight solo) and two

sacks earned him a spot on the PSAC and ECAC honor roll.

Freshman defensive end John Grier was credited with seven tackles, while senior Jim Nicholson picked off his conference leading sixth interception.

On the other end of the coin, the Golden Eagles come into this game with an offense and defense that ranks in the top five in the PSAC both in total offense and total defense.

Clarion has won more games than anytime since 1985.

The Golden Eagles offense likes to fly, averaging 462.2 yards per game, including 244.3 on the ground. This ranks them third in the conference in total offense.

Clarion is led on offense by a powerful 1-2-3 punch. Senior Steve Witte ranks among the leaders in the PSAC in rushing, averaging 84.0 yards per game. He had added 532 receiving yards to his credit. Those numbers make him a serious candidate for the Harlon Hill Award, which is awarded to the PSAC's most valuable player.

The aerial attack is led by junior quarterback Chris Weibel. He is tops in the conference in passing, completing 142 of 232 attempts for 2063 yards and 24 touchdowns.

Clarion's defense is among the stingiest in the conference (5th), allowing an average of 318.1 yards per game. One of their strongpoints is stopping the run. They only give up an average of 109.5 yards per game on the ground, which ranks them third in the PSAC.

"Clarion is probably as solid a football team as there is in the PSAC and they're having a terrific year," Mountaineer head coach Joe Viadella said. "Our young guys played well at Cheyney and the team is starting to play together after being hit hard by injuries over the last three weeks."

### Flashlight Athlete of the Week Nikki Noaelli



Nikki Noaelli has been named Flashlight Athlete of the Week. Noaelli won three events and was part of the winning 200 free relay in the Mounties win over RIT.

## Swim team opens '96-97 season with win over RIT

special to the Flashlight

Nikki Noaelli, an All-American transfer from St. Cloud State University, won three events and was part of the winning 200 free relay to lead the Mansfield University Mountaineer Swim team to a 151-127 win over RIT in women's swimming.

The meet marked the opener of the 1996-97 season for the Mountaineers and first year head coach Diane Heydt.

The Mountaineers, behind Noaelli's win in the 100 meter backstroke with a school record 1:04.73, took an early lead and hung on for the victory.

Noaelli also won the 50 freestyle (26:26) and set another school mark with a win in the 100 freestyle (57.14).

She also anchored the winning and school record 200 freestyle relay time of 1:48.61.

Freshman April Hart took first in the 100 breaststroke (1:17:58) and 200 breaststroke (2:52.74) while freshman Bonnie Remus took first in both diving events.

The win marks the debut of new head coach Diane Heydt.

The Mountaineers swim team will open their home portion of their 1996-97 schedule this Thursday, November 14 when they host Lock Haven University.

**Editor's Note:** As of press time the results from Thursday's home swimming meet against Lock Haven was not available for print. Results, along with a story will be posted in next week's issue of the Flashlight.



# Seniors gear up for last game of their career

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

Mansfield Head Football Coach Joe Viadella set two goals for his team in the beginning of this year.

The first, unity; the second, beat Cortland.

The Mansfield Mountaineers have achieved both of these goals. The second goal they met in the first game of their season. The Mounties defeated Cortland 18-0.

The second goal the Mountaineers have achieved throughout their entire season.

"There is no doubt that this team is a more cohesive unit than we were last year," said Viadella.

Senior offensive lineman Tim Savage agrees, "This year's team has had the closest team unity of any team I've played on. but we were struck by injuries early on in the year." Savage Continued, "We started juniors and seniors but our back-ups are all freshmen."

This has been the story the last couple years for Viadella and the Mountaineers. The last couple of seasons have been rebuilding years for Mansfield.

"Unless you are going to do something illegal, it is going to take time," said Viadella. "You need those 15 to 18 starters to be competitive."

Compared to PSAC powerhouses like Bloomsburg who play all fifth year seniors and have seniors and juniors as back-ups, the Mounties started only eight seniors this year.

"We have a lot more younger guys now. We are a lot younger team," said senior defensive back and co-captain Jim Nicholson. "That is both good and bad. It has helped us build a program, but it is hard to play with younger guys."

"Despite our record, we are a much better football team than we were last year," said Viadella.

This year's group of seniors have been through the fire together. Everyone of these men has spent at least two years on the same team, playing



Photo by Thad Woodward

This Saturday Joe Scriba (59), Mike Sedun (64), Tim Savage (71), Nate Gibson (77), Joel Kargbo (59), Pete Sherman (16), Jim Nicholson (11), and Joe Povenski (14) will play in their last collegiate football game as a Mountie.

together and spilling their guts together. They have bettered their last year's record, and they have bettered themselves and those who play with them.

"Coach Elsasser always said that adversity introduces a man to himself," said All-American and co-captain Nate Gibson. Gibson has started three years for the Mountaineers anchoring the offensive line.

In 1995 "Big Nate" won the Frank A. Butsko Scholarship Award.

"As long as we stick together, we can accomplish any goal we set," said Gibson.

Senior co-captain Joe Povenski has seen his share of adversity.

"He has been practicing his tail off the last couple weeks," said Viadella. "He is a real tribute to the team."

During the last two years Povenski suffered two injuries that could have ended any one else's football career. In 1995 he tore his anterior cruciate ligament and the next season he broke his thumb.

"When you look at last year's record compared to this year's record it is still not the greatest," said Povenski. "But, we only play what? Four teams that are not nationally ranked."

"As a whole this has been a great senior year," said co-captain Jim

Nicholson. "I would not change anything. We have been through a lot of ups and downs."

Nicholson has started three consecutive years for the Mounties. He leads the PSAC with six sacks on the season.

He is also third in the Mountaineer record-book after compiling 13 picks on his career.

"He did a good job on the football field," said Viadella. "At times he tried to do too much, but he always came up with the big plays that we needed."

Tim Savage started four years on the offensive line. He also received the Butsko Award in 1995.

Consistency is the one thing that sums up Savage's play during all four of his seasons.

"He played hard and did his best to lead by example," said Viadella.

"A lot of the way I will remember this year's team will depend on this Saturday's game with Clarion," said Savage.

Mike Sedun has suffered setbacks as has the Mountaineer football program.

Sedun sat out the last two years because of an extensive leg injury. Despite his injury Sedun man-

aged 14 tackles this year. He has totalled 84 tackles and 15 sacks in his football career. His 15 sacks rank him fifth in Mountie history.

"Sedun's injury hurt his consistency," said Viadella. "But, he exemplifies the Mounties with his relentless goal to be the best."

Senior All-American Joel Kargbo is dominating for the Mounties defensive line. During his years with the Mountaineers, he has recorded 167 tackles. He is tied with Sedun for fifth place for quarterback sacks.

"He has the ability to be a dominating force on the defense," said Viadella. "He has played exceptionally well."

"Pete Sherman is the epitome of hard work and dedication," said Viadella. "He is not the most gifted player, but that never stopped him."

Sherman played on nearly every special team for the Mountaineers this year.

"In a quiet way, he was a leader," said Viadella. "No matter your position you need to practice like an All-American."

Sherman remembers all the players that he started with in the Mountaineer football program.

"I would have like to see more of my friends and team-mates not fall by the way-side," said Sherman. "Nate is the only guy still here that I came in with."

"Joe Scriba is by far the most consistent defensive player all year long," said Viadella. He rises to the occasion. He had an all-conference type of year.

Scriba has been a two year starter for the Mounties on the defensive line. He severely injured his knee in the first game of last year's season.

"He played hurt and he gutted it out," said Viadella. "He is a big part of the foundation we have built."

This Saturday's game at home against Clarion will in all likelihood be the last game ever for these eight seniors.

Tim Savage leaves this behind to the team-mates he and the rest of his fellow seniors leave behind: "I wish the guys the best of luck next year and in the years to come."

## MU wrestling team opens season at Ithaca Invitational

by Jill Mancini  
J.P. Fella  
sports reporters

Hank Shaw started his 28th season as the head coach of the Mountaineer wrestling program November 8th and 9th at the Ithaca Invitational held at Ithaca College.

Mansfield University finished 7th out of 17 teams at the meet. Nine of

the teams are ranked in Division III top 25.

"The guys wrestled tough overall. I think our team is in good condition, at least better than anyone else," said Shaw.

According to Shaw, there are a few outstanding wrestlers to look forward to in upcoming meets.

"Bart Gonzalez is a very strong candidate for nationals. Todd Wonderling

and Tim Tuttle looked good also, even though there were some mental mistakes. They're young, though, and we'll have to see what happens when they wrestle other Division II teams," said Shaw.

Gonzalez took 2nd place after losing a decision to Anton Atterbury with a score of 7-6. Atterbury is ranked 6th in Division III at 134 lbs.

Other notable finishes for

Mansfield were Joel Brinker, third at 150 lbs.; Miles Roe, fourth at 142 lbs.; and Charlie Tuttle, fourth also at 190 lbs.

Lou Scheller set a new meet record for the fasted fall by pinning Stacy Kerschbaum in 0:10.

"We should have a good season, as long as there are no injuries. We expect to win at least 75% of the matches," said Shaw.

## Mansfield, former Pittsburgh Steeler, dies while hiking

PITTSBURGH (AP) \_ Funeral services will be held Saturday for former Pittsburgh Steelers center Ray Mansfield, who died last weekend while hiking in the Grand Canyon.

Mansfield's body was flown out of the canyon by helicopter Monday, and an autopsy was scheduled.

The National Park Service said Mansfield appears to have died of natural causes.

Mansfield, 55, started on the Steelers' 1974 and 1975 Super Bowl championship teams and still holds the team record with 182 consecutive games played.

"He had a great personality. He was a very witty guy," former Steelers quarterback Terry Bradshaw said Tuesday. "He and (linebacker) Andy Russell were the two people when I was drafted by Pittsburgh who always made me feel part of the family."

After retiring from football, Mansfield opened a successful insurance business in suburban Pittsburgh and actively took part in charity affairs.

He also attended most Steelers' home games.

"He is the first member of (the Super Bowl Steelers) to die, except for Mr. (Art) Rooney (the team owner),"

Bradshaw said. "When anybody close to you dies, it makes you think how mortal we all are."

Bradshaw regularly gives motivational talks, and he never fails to tell at least one Ray Mansfield story.

"I'm very sad," Bradshaw said. "My heart goes out to his family."

Services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Westminster Church in Upper St. Clair. Visitation will be from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Friday at the Beinhauer funeral home in Peters Township.

Mansfield is survived by his

parents, Owen and Carmel Mansfield of Kennewick, Wash.; his wife, Janet; his daughters, Kathleen Wolfley of Bridgeville, Jennifer Garber of Orange, Calif., and Caroline Lefik of Gibsonsia; a son, Jim of Upper St. Clair; brothers Odie, Bill and Ted of Kennewick; and a sister, Sharon of Kennewick.

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## US considering troop involvement for Zaire relief plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States is willing to send about 1,000 troops to war-torn Zaire to participate in "a limited fashion" with a Canadian-led international operation trying to avert a human catastrophe, the White House said today.

With thousands dying of starvation and disease, press secretary Mike McCurry said, "Our interests here are largely humanitarian, to save lives."

While a final decision is pending, President Clinton agreed "in principle" to a mission lasting at least four months and involving fewer than 5,000 U.S. troops — about 1,000 of which would be deployed in Zaire, McCurry said. The remainder would be based elsewhere in the region in support roles.

American troops would make up "significantly less than the bulk" of the international force, he said.

U.S. participation was approved on condition that several standards were met, including cooperation from neigh-

boring countries and assurances that the operation was limited and clearly defined in advance.

He said American soldiers would be under U.S. command, although the operation will be run by a Canadian officer.

"This is not a risk-free environment by any means," McCurry said. "We would not commit to an open-ended, ill-defined mission."

National Security Adviser Anthony Lake met with a high-ranking Canadian delegation Tuesday. McCurry said the parties agreed on a series of conditions for U.S. support, including:

The mission would last about four months. But then the United States would examine whether more time or troops were needed to keep the situation from exploding again.

The international force will have "very robust rules of engagement."

The U.S. mission will not include disarming militants or forcing entry in

Zaire.

The cost of the mission would be borne by participating states.

Defense Secretary William Perry said U.S. troops will provide security at the Goma airport and along a three-mile corridor from the airport. Perry said the force would be anchored by infantry troops, who would also have assault helicopters assigned to the units.

Troops outside Zaire could be used in supporting roles, including ferrying supplies, officials said.

Pentagon officials have been attempting to work out some form of assistance in the tragedy while avoiding the pitfalls that afflicted the U.S. humanitarian mission in Somalia.

In a lengthy White House briefing, McCurry said, "A lot of the questions Why not now? Why not now? Why don't you go do something right away? reflects a desire to have a very carefully constructed mission, to avoid some of the pitfalls we've seen in the past," McCurry

said.

The Pentagon dispatched a 37-member team that arrived in Uganda today to assess the situation in Zaire.

But officials have been wary of ordering any troop deployment until firm guidelines can be worked out about how such a force would be led, how broad its mandate would be and how it would be organized and paid for.

While the military participated in the last international Rwandan relief effort, U.S. officials want to avoid a repetition of the Somalia intervention in which 18 U.S. Army soldiers were killed in a Mogadishu fire fight three years ago.

U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali has said that Canada has agreed to lead a multinational contingent of up to 20,000 troops in Zaire. He said more than a dozen nations, including South Africa, have pledged support.

U.N. officials who spoke on condition of anonymity said Canada's offer was extended Monday.

## News briefs from around the international community

CHARKHI DADRI, India (AP) — Masked against the stench of charred flesh, police walked in formation through freshly plowed fields of mustard and wheat Wednesday, picking out the remains of 349 people believed killed when two jetliners collided in the sky. Seven minutes after takeoff Tuesday, a Saudi Airlines jumbo jet smashed into a Kazakhstan Airlines 15,000 feet (4,500 meters) above the ground in the third-worst disaster in aviation history. The Kazak jet was making its landing approach at the time.

NAZCA, Peru (AP) — A powerful earthquake rocked southern Peru, killing 15 people, injuring as many as 700

and causing many buildings to crumble, civil defense officials said. Forty to 60 miners were trapped in an isolated gold mine in the Andes Mountains 775 kilometers (480 miles) southeast of Lima, according to army Gen. Ronald Rueda Benavides. There were no details on the miners' condition. The magnitude-6.4 quake, which struck at noon Tuesday, caused the most damage in the tourist city of Nazca, where four people were killed and 380 injured, civil defense spokeswoman Lena Montes said.

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) — Palestinians and Israelis held critical talks Wednesday on withdrawing troops from Hebron, with only one major issue bar-

ring an agreement, an Israeli official said. Government spokesman Moshe Fogel said negotiators were focusing on what actions Israeli forces could take in Palestinian-controlled areas. Israel has demanded the right of "hot pursuit" of suspects into Palestinian areas.

ROME (AP) — The U.N. secretary-general steered the attention of the World Food Summit to the refugee plight in eastern Zaire on Wednesday, saying leaders have a duty to unite and aid people who otherwise "face certain death." The impassioned appeal by Boutros Boutros-Ghali in the opening minutes of the five-day conference showed how much the Zaire crisis has given urgency to the pro-

ceedings. Conference planners have wanted to keep the meeting focused on the ambitious but non-binding policy goal of reducing the number of hungry people in the world by half.

MOSCOW (AP) — Protesting the arrival of Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko, about 70 Russian lawmakers stormed out of the 450-seat parliament Wednesday and denounced the visiting leader as a power-hungry autocrat. Some Russian deputies object to Lukashenko's planned referendum in Belarus on Nov. 24. If the referendum is approved, it will extend Lukashenko's term in office until 2001 and expand his already extensive powers.

## Four reported dead, 19 hospitalized in Mexico explosion

SAN JUAN IXHUATEPEC, Mexico (AP) — Amid the acrid stench of burned gasoline, firefighters mopped up lakes of foam Wednesday hours after putting out an infernal blaze at a fuel depot.

Four people died and at least 19 were hospitalized in the fire that started Monday afternoon and raged for 35 hours. The pall of flames and smoke rose more than 3,600 feet up and could be seen eight miles away.

Adrian Lajous, head of the state oil monopoly Petroleos Mexicanos, inspecting the wreckage Wednesday afternoon in this small town on the northern edge of Mexico City, estimated 4.2 million gallons of gasoline and heating oil were consumed.

This is about one day's liquid fuel sup-

ply for metropolitan Mexico City, home to 21 million people and 4.5 million vehicles.

Lajous brushed aside reporters' questions asking him if he would resign, instead lauded "tireless" performance of Pemex workers and firefighters who bravely put out the blaze and stopped up the faulty valve.

"This accident is deplorable," said Lajous, but he said Pemex will further tighten its safety procedures to keep such disasters from happening.

The dead included a firefighter buried Wednesday after the last wisps of smoke curled away.

"We believe this is where the firefighter perished," said Jaime M. Willars, a Pemex official, pointing to

two red fire trucks so badly charred that rubber tires melted off their rims and hoses burned on the asphalt.

One of the storage tanks was badly blacked and crumpled.

Two firefighters in red suits and wearing oxygen masks and tanks opened a hole in the base to drain thousands of gallons of foam and water used to battle flames.

Officials said work to repair a faulty valve set off the explosion at one of the tanks in the six-tank farm. A second one went off a few hours later, and a third later still was engulfed in flames and wrecked.

Asked if negligence were involved in the valve maintenance, Lajous said it was premature to discuss specifics. He noted

that federal investigators, seen combing around the wreckage, had gotten their first hands-on inspection only Wednesday.

"We are going to find out just what happened. Today there was no access to the site until the fire was out," he said.

Police backed by army soldiers had evacuated some 2,400 families from working-class neighborhood nearby but they returned home on Wednesday.

None of the mostly poor cinderblock homes was damaged or seriously threatened. Soldiers in combat gear still ringed brick-walled refinery complex, spread out over 27 acres.

Pemex reported Wednesday that oil workers Rafael Martinez, 31, and Rene Gomez Munoz, 39, had become the third and fourth fatalities.

## CALENDAR

### Saturday 11/16/96

1pm Football at home with Clarion.  
Women's Basketball away at IUP  
Tournament.  
3pm Mark Renner Senior Voice  
Recital at Steadman Theatre.  
8pm Movie at the HUT.  
10pm to 2am Zanzibar at the HUT.

### Sunday 11/17/96

3pm Concert Wind Ensemble Concert

in Steadman Theatre

### Monday 11/18/96

1pm Ebony Discussion Hour in MLK  
Center "Race Issues: The Color  
'Thang'"  
1pm Workshop in 429 North Hall.  
3:30pm MU Film & Lecture presents  
Prof. Alexandra Nolan: "Public  
Relations: Reportage or Propaganda?"  
in North Hall Dining Room.

Tuesday 11/19/96

8-10pm "Hang the DJ" on 89.5 WNTD

Wednesday 11/20/96

7-11pm in Memorial Hall Pool  
Tournament. Cash and Prizes. All  
invited.  
9pm MAC Coffeehouse at the HUT.  
7pm Women's Basketball at home vs.

Daeman College.

10pm "The Boneyard" on 89.5 WNTD

### Thursday 11/21/96

1pm International Discussion Hour at  
1pm in MLK Center. Presenter;  
Howard Travis.  
8pm "A Point of Order" in Straughn  
Auditorium.

### Friday 11/22/96

8pm "A Point of Order" in Straughn



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## Fire destroys downtown apartments and businesses

by Eugene Yager  
news editor

Early Monday morning, fire and tragedy struck downtown Mansfield apartments and businesses when a Main Street building caught fire and burned to the ground.

"(Businesses involved) were Tina's hair salon and The Body Shop, which was a gym," said First Assistant Chief of the Mansfield fire department Jim Welch. Also destroyed in the blaze were five apartments where several Mansfield University students lived.

Welch also said that there were

no injuries to any inhabitants of the building but that two firemen sustained injuries during the fire.

The two men, one with a leg injury and one with an unknown injury, were transported to Soldiers and Sailors hospital in Wellsboro.

The cause of the fire is still unknown, Welch said.

To keep damage at minimum during the blaze, certain measures had to be taken to prevent the spreading of the flames, Welch said. These measures included tearing down the section of the building which housed The Body Shop.

"We took that building down to eliminate any possible extension of



photo by Brent McCallus

Eight fire companies were called into battle the fire in downtown Mansfield on Monday, including this department from Southport, NY.

any fire," Welch said.

Responding to the fire were eight fire companies from as far away as Elmira. According to Welch, the Elmira fire company was called because of their ladder truck.

Currently, campus ministry is receiving gifts and donations for victims of the fire.

"The response from the community has been incredible," Deborah Casey, protestant campus minister said.

Andy Gough, a sophomore geography major was one of the students

rendered homeless by the fire.

"We really appreciate everything the campus and community has done," Gough said. "It was more than we expected, and more than we really asked for."

According to Casey, the university has offered free housing for the remainder of the semester, as well as upgraded meal plans, to all students affected by the fire.

"While not recouping their fa

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photo by Brent McCallus

A Red Cross volunteer consoles two victims of the fire on Monday morning.

## Professors' union vote allows for future decision on strike

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

Last weekend, at an Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties assembly meeting, the organization voted unanimously to authorize a future vote which would decide whether an APSCUF teacher's strike will occur next semester.

"They (the Legislative Assem-

bly of Delegates) voted to authorize the APSCUF Executive Council to call for a strike vote from members at a time judged appropriate after consulting with the negotiations team and the chapter presidents," said Dr. Priscilla Travis, Mansfield University president of the APSCUF union.

According to Travis, the strike vote may never occur but currently the situation is up in the air.

"They (APSCUF) now need

to decide if a strike is necessary," Travis said. "They may never call for a vote but it's really hard to tell because negotiations are at a sensitive stage."

According to Travis, APSCUF is considering a strike because there have been no progressions made in the contract revisals that have been ongoing for the past two years.

If a strike were to happen, it would not happen right away as there is a great deal of work that must take place for a strike to occur, Travis said.

"Legally, we (APSCUF) can't do anything until the end of November," Travis said. "After that it would take at least a week to hold the actual vote."

Travis said that even if a strike were to occur, classes would still be held and conducted, as much as possible, by non-union members.

"About 90 percent of MU professors are union and would not be able to work," Travis said. "The other 10 percent would hold classes until the strike was over."

According to Dr. John Ulrich, one of M.U.'s four APSCUF delegates, the Mansfield ratio of union to non-union members is consistent with the state percentage.

"About 90 percent of Pennsylvania's state professors are union," Ulrich said. "That's about 4,500 professors."

Both Ulrich and Travis said that a strike is not a high priority for APSCUF.

"Nobody really wants a strike," Ulrich said.

A strike would harm student educations, which according to Travis, is something that the union does not want to see happen.

"We are not in this to cause maximum harm to the students, because it affects their education," Travis said.

The other three APSCUF delegates are Dr. Mark Robarge, criminal justice professor, Dr. Howard Iseri, mathematics professor, and Frank Kollar, director of career development and placement services.

## Former CCSI comptroller pleads "not guilty" to theft charges

by Chris McGann  
editor

Former College Community Services Inc. Comptroller, Frederick Green, plead not guilty to 129 charges of theft and receiving stolen property Wednesday at an arraignment hearing held in the common pleas court in Wellsboro.

Green is accused of stealing \$125, 979.12 in funds and computer equipment from CCSI between 1990 and 1995. He faces a total of 129 charges.

If convicted, Green could be sentenced to a maximum of 682 years in prison and be forced to pay a large amount in fines.

District Magistrate Daniel Signor said that if Green is found guilty he does not expect him to get the maximum

sentence.

"Almost nobody gets the maximum sentence," Signor said in an interview with the Flashlight in October.

According to the District Attorney's office, there has been no court date set for Green because of a large backlog of cases. Green is currently free on \$12,500 bail and he has waived his right to a preliminary trial.

The money that Green is accused of stealing came directly from student activity funds, CCSI, Green's former employer, is the entity that is responsible for handling student activity funds, which allowed him access to the money.

According to the criminal complaint, some of this money was

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## Attention

Anyone interested in donating money or items to those who lost their homes in this week's fire may do so by dropping donations off at area businesses or by leaving items at the campus ministry office in 120 Pinecrest. All donations are welcome and much appreciated.



## Campus Voices

by Katie Long, Tessa Stack, Kelly Schrader

**"What do you think about the possibility of being charged for paper in the library?"**



**Tynesha Cofield**  
Freshman

"No, I don't think it should be done. We already pay enough let alone paying to print out our stuff."



**Jason Strunk**  
Senior

"I think it sucks."



**Tyrone Fisher**  
Senior

"It's ridiculous. I don't think it's going to go through."



**Heather Longabaugh**  
Freshman

"I don't know. I wouldn't like it."

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was used to pay for repairs to his house.

The *Flashlight* reported on October 25 that the missing funds were discovered after an irregularity in a purchase of T-shirts for a student organization. This irregularity triggered the state to

launch a series of audits on CCSI's books.

When indiscrepancies were found, Green was fired by the board of CCSI. He later was arrested on October 8 after he surrendered himself to the District Magistrate's office.

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favorite things, they will be able to get back on their feet" Casey said.

William Robinson, owner of the destroyed building is not sure what he is going to do next.

"We are not sure at this point.

It is going to depend on a lot of factors at this point," Robinson said. "I feel there is a need for the apartments for the students because there are so many buildings that wouldn't rent to students."

### Police Beat

11/15/96

4:02 Complaint of roommates fighting

alleges to have been harassed by two known individuals.

11/16/96

4:05 Assist of outside agency

11/19/96

00:30 Loud bang, possible gun shot or transformer. Nature and location unknown. Wooded area around residence hall checked. Nothing found.

11/17/96

17:20 Complainant advised unknown person removed keys, ID, and cash from her coat pocket (university ID holder). Her coat was located in Butler Center on the coat rack outside the rehearsal room. Numerous people were in the vicinity.

11/20/96

1:53 Officers assisted Mansfield police with a burglary in progress at the Dandi mini mart in Covington.

11/18/96

7:45 Assist outside agency-Fire in Mansfield borough  
9:30 Female Cedarcrest resident

2:11 Medical Assist. Person fell and hit head.

2:21 Alarm activated in lower Manser. Officer checked the area. Scene was secure with no evidence of tampering. All doors secure.

## MU Special Ed Department Congratulates our new PA council for exceptional children officers

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# Lecture explores history of Public Relations

by Thomas A. Jones  
staff reporter

This semester's final installment of the "Film and Lecture Series" was a lecture about public relations held on Wednesday.

Professor Alexandra Nolan, public relations and communications professor, presented "Public Relations: Reportage or Propaganda? The Global Consequences of the Words that Win Wars."

"Public Relations was first examined in 1922 when Walt Whitman began researching it," Nolan said. "It was discovered that Public Relations did not tell us what to think, but rather, what to think about."

Nolan focused her presentation on the wartime words, slogans, music, and similar devices used by P.R. agents since the American Revolution.

"P.R. has a far greater impact on U.S. public opinion than anyone realizes," she said. "Unlike journalists, P.R. agents do not have to be unattached. They must serve their clients. But they must also adhere to certain ethics."

Nolan stated that propaganda is associated with one sided messages. The objectives of distributing it include a rationale for hating the enemy, keeping allies, gaining the support of a neutral, and demoralizing the enemy.

Propaganda, according to Nolan, has played a major part in wars. Our forefathers relied upon written and spoken word to influence the colonists.

The flag was a symbol designed to elicit patriotic feelings. Slogans, such as "Give me liberty or give me death!" aroused support as well.

"An excellent example of black Propaganda, or propaganda which is based on lies or extreme exaggerations is the Boston Massacre," Nolan said. "There, five drunken and rowdy Bostonians were killed by British Soldiers. Word spread throughout the colonies that the British had no reason to fire. This helped begin the revolutionary war."

According to Nolan, the War of 1812 gave us P.R. in the form of the Star Spangled Banner, and the Civil War led to the first official censorship of the press by the government when several newspapers were shut down.

"World War I brought us the modern P.R. techniques," Nolan said. "President Wilson selected George Creel as head of public information. More than 1 million posters were produced. Also, scores of movies, and hundreds of thousands of pamphlets were made."

Nolan stated that World War II presented even better technologies for public relations agents. Radio, used by both Allied and Axis powers, made instant transmission of facts and propaganda possible. Almer Davis, head of the Office of War Information, created a radio drama against the Germans.

It was said by P.R. agents at the time that the next war was going to be fought with images.

Vietnam was such a war that

was fought with images. According to Nolan, the information that was withheld or distorted by P.R. agents was no match for the powerful images of the war broadcast into American's living rooms very night.

Nolan then explained how the conflict in Bosnia has been exaggerated, or blatantly falsified by public relations agents.

"In 1989 it appeared that Croatia wanted to become a democracy. But what kind of a democracy?" Nolan asked. "Croatia had declared war on the US in World War II, and operated some of Hitler's largest extermination camps."

According to Nolan, it has been the media and P.R. agents in particular who have distorted the real actions of the parties involved by concentrating on the unsubstantiated claims of the Croatian government. For more information, Professor Nolan urged the crowd to look up the Serbian Unity Congress on the Internet.

In conclusion, Nolan outlined certain reforms that the P.R. industry must take upon itself.

"Public Relations agents need to remember to follow the code of ethics," she said. "The media must not send junior reporters on international assignments. The media should report in greater depth with more balance. Also, the media must not make mistakes, and when they do, should correct them immediately."

After her presentation she remarked, "Now we have the Internet, and even seemingly small mistakes can have global consequences."



Photo by Brent McCallus

The response to the fire which left several students homeless this week has been enormous, said Deborah Casey of Campus Ministry. Pictured above are donations and gifts from students and faculty, all of which will be given to the victims by the campus ministry.

## Discussion stresses the importance of culture

by Darren A. Meehan  
wire editor

Students from many different nations and all walks of life gathered Thursday in the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for this week's International Discussion Hour.

Dr. Howard Travis of the Communications Department lead students through an insightful lecture challenging his listeners to embrace their own diversity and to prepare for the future.

"You should try to hold on to your language and culture because they are yours, just as our language and culture is ours," Travis said to the group of predominately international students. "You've got to learn to preserve your look."

Travis also used his own experiences in Russia as a focal point to explain the educational shortcomings of America.

"The young people in Volgograd are extremely well educated.

Some college students over there take a third language by the time they are sophomores in college," Travis said.

Among the topics covered, Travis pinpointed the increasingly competitive job market of today and the effect the Internet will continue to have in it.

"America is ranked 28th in math skills. Singapore is first," Travis explained. "Why, if I were a CEO of a corporation, would I look for an American when I can get someone from Singapore off the Internet? We need to make our children more competitive for the 'virtual' age they will compete in."

Travis' final comments stressed the importance of students questioning the information they receive from their textbooks, citing the absence of a description of the improprieties Japanese-American faced during World War II.

"We can only improve if the information is truthful and effectively communicated," Travis said.

## SGA welcomes back advisor at meeting

by Tracy Gay  
staff reporter

The Student Government Association welcomed their advisor back and discussed a variety of issues at Monday's meeting in Memorial Hall.

In This week, Vice President of Student Affairs Joseph Maresco returned after an extended illness and hospital stay.

"I would like to thank all the students for their cards and flowers," Maresco said. "They meant more to me than spoken words."

SGA was given an update on the union negotiations and the possibility of a strike by the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculty. APSCUF unanimously passed a vote which would allow for APSCUF leaders to vote for a strike in the future if prompted.

In order to counter philosophy professor Robert Timko's suggestion that the University limit the number of classes a student would be allowed to withdraw from, some senators are examining withdraw policies at other universities and colleges.

SGA discussed donating \$250 to the Mansfield High School Student Council so the school can finance production of a student newspaper. However, no vote was

initiated because the request was vague and still in the rudimentary stage.

SGA president Mark Smith said that he would contact the MHS Student Council and get a member or representative to come to the next SGA meeting and clear up the proposal's vagueness.

An announcement was also made that Mansfield is looking to change the honors programs requirements for transfer students. Under the new policy, transfer students will have to take fewer credits in order to graduate under the honors program.

Currently under the honors program transfer students may graduate with honors but it is not announced at the graduation ceremony.

The Student Athletic Academic Committee approached SGA and asked to get an athletic credit program reinstated.

SAAC wants to get physical education credit for anyone participating in a sport from their freshman year to the time they graduate. Students would not be eligible to receive credit until the second semester after they participate in order to discourage students who withdraw prior to the end of the semester.

Currently under the academic catalog this program exists but it hasn't been active in 13 years. SAAC is planing to approach Faculty Senate to get recognition for the program.





## Around the Nation

### Top general says military not doing enough to fight terrorism

WASHINGTON (AP) — The terrorist bombing that killed 19 U.S. airmen in Saudi Arabia in June showed that the military is not doing enough to protect its own people, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said Tuesday.

"It just isn't right," Gen. John Shalikashvili told a force protection symposium, that the U.S. military is the most powerful in the world in every area but the ability to fight terrorism.

"Why is it that this great nation that can build B-2s and the best submarines ... has to use a highway divider to put around a building as the most advanced, most sophisticated piece of blast detection that our industry can produce?" he asked.

The military has done considerable soul-searching since the June 25 attack, when a massive bomb detonated from a fuel truck parked outside the U.S. military's Khobar Towers residential

complex near Dhahran killed 19 and injured hundreds.

The attack was proof that terrorism has now become "the preferred method of warfare against the United States," Shalikashvili said.

Nevertheless, he said, most people would turn to Israel or Britain when looking for the best ways to combat terrorism.

He noted that some \$1.2 million in equipment to protect crew members goes into every M-1 tank and asked: "Why is it that at Khobar Towers there was even a discussion about spending a sum much less than that for putting (polyester sheeting) on the windows to protect three or four thousand people?"

Shalikashvili expressed confidence that Congress would provide the funds to improve defenses against terrorist attacks.

### Christopher: "CNN" factor pushed U.S. to send troops to Africa

WASHINGTON (AP) — Not long after taking office, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said U.S. decisions on committing troops to save lives in distant lands would not be dictated by television's graphic images of human suffering.

CNN, he said, would not be the "north star" guiding U.S. policy decisions.

But U.S. officials said last week "the CNN factor" in no small way influenced President Clinton's provisional decision to send thousands of troops to Central Af-

rica to help protect and funnel aid to more than 1 million refugees.

The crisis in Central Africa, based largely on enmity between Hutu and Tutsi, traditionally antagonistic tribes living side-by-side in several countries, festered all summer. The worst problem was in Burundi, where thousands were dying each month in tribal bloodshed.

The Clinton administration, influenced by electoral considerations and bitter memories of when the Somalia interven-

### U.S. drops charges against accused Russian spy

WORCESTER, Mass. (AP) — A retired KGB agent is a free man even after admitting he tried to buy sensitive information about the "Star Wars" missile defense system for \$30,000.

Federal charges against Vladimir Galkin, 50, were dropped Thursday at the request of CIA Director John Deutch. That request came after Russia said the United States broke the "unwritten rules" of the spy game and would suffer unnamed consequences.

U.S. Magistrate Charles B. Swartwood III granted federal prosecutors' request that Galkin be freed, just hours after Russia issued its latest public protest since Galkin's Oct. 29 arrest by the FBI at New York's Kennedy International Airport.

Court documents accused Galkin of offering \$30,000 to an employee of Data General Corp. for sensitive reports on the Strategic Defense Initiative, better known as "Star Wars." Those offers allegedly were made during 1990 and 1991.

"It was an attempt, but I did not receive one bit of information," Galkin told reporters outside the central Massachusetts courthouse. His lawyer then hushed him.

Galkin also said he wanted "everybody to forget this story as soon as possible. I would like for this story to never repeat

again."

An unsigned, three-paragraph Justice Department statement said the CIA had changed its mind about proceeding with the case. The CIA was advised in advance of Galkin's arrest and raised concerns but no objections, the Justice statement said.

"In retrospect, and after further consultations within the government, the CIA has concluded, and the State Department has concurred, that the national interest would best be served by dismissing the charges," the Justice statement said. Justice officials accepted this recommendation.

In Washington, one Justice official, requesting anonymity, said, "We were upset with CIA only in that they changed their minds. They should have told us this from the beginning."

This official explained that CIA Director Deutch was unaware of the impending arrest when lower level CIA officials gave their approval.

Galkin's wife, Svetlana, expressed elation when informed by The Associated Press of her husband's release.

"I'm incredibly happy," she said by telephone. "I didn't expect it to be resolved so fast."

### Turkish troops attack rebels, forty dead

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Clashes between Turkish troops and Kurdish rebels in southeastern Turkey on Wednesday killed 36 guerrillas and four soldiers, officials said.

Soldiers backed by helicopter gunships and jet fighters launched an offensive Tuesday against rebel bases on Mount Ciraf, near the town of Erüh, about 35 miles from the border with northeastern Syria.

Twenty-five Kurdish rebels and four soldiers died there Wednesday, according to the regional governor's office based in Diyarbakir.

Eleven other rebels were killed in the southeastern provinces of Tunceli, Bingöl and Batman, the governor's office said.

Kurdish rebels have been fighting for autonomy in the southeast since 1984. More than 21,000 people have been killed.

tion turned sour three years earlier, was content to let the United Nations play the leading role.

The situation took on a new dimension last month when fighting flared again and forced hundreds of thousands of Rwandan Hutus to flee U.N. refugee camps in Eastern Zaire, where they were sheltering from horrors at home.

It became obvious that a major humanitarian disaster was in the making, and the administration's steadfast resistance to committing troops to Central Africa began to melt — a process accelerated by televised images of desperate refugees bereft of the most elemental human needs.

"The folks upstairs spent a lot of time worrying about it," said one official, alluding to the impact those scenes had on policymakers in seventh-floor offices at the State Department.

### Controversial video of fatal California prison shooting airs on network news

CORCORAN, Calif. (AP) — Controversy surrounding California State Prison-Corcoran heated up again as CBS topped its evening news with video footage of an inmate fatally shot by guards.

The footage aired on Tuesday showed the death of convicted rapist Preston Tate on April 2, 1994.

The videotape, made routinely by the prison, shows Tate in a small exercise yard apparently talking with his cellmate. Minutes later, two inmates from a rival gang arrive and a fight erupts. The guards fire wooden projectiles from a gas gun. Seconds later, the lethal shot from a 9 mm rifle is fired, killing Tate.

The tape aired three times on the national news and was repeated minutes later on the Fresno affiliate, the closest television station to the prison.

The shooting has spawned an FBI investigation for alleged inmate abuse by prison guards. Inmates also have accused Corcoran guards of staging fights and betting money on them.

Tate's family has filed a civil rights lawsuit, and a federal grand jury in Fresno is considering the case.

The family's lawyer, Catherine Campbell, was upset over the repeated airings of Tate's death which she feared would result in similar public notoriety to the Rodney King beating.

Campbell said an agreement allowed the CBS news program "60 Minutes" to air the entire tape twice plus part of it once in a promotional spot.

"I didn't want the family to see this tape played over and over again. That is why we have all these restrictions on playing of the tape," Campbell said.

But Campbell said a source told her the agreement was altered when the state Department of Corrections began releasing the video on Tuesday.

"The attorney's for Tate gave the tape to '60 Minutes,'" said corrections spokesman J.P. Tremblay. "The Department of Corrections did give it to (the lawyers) during the months of legal discovery."

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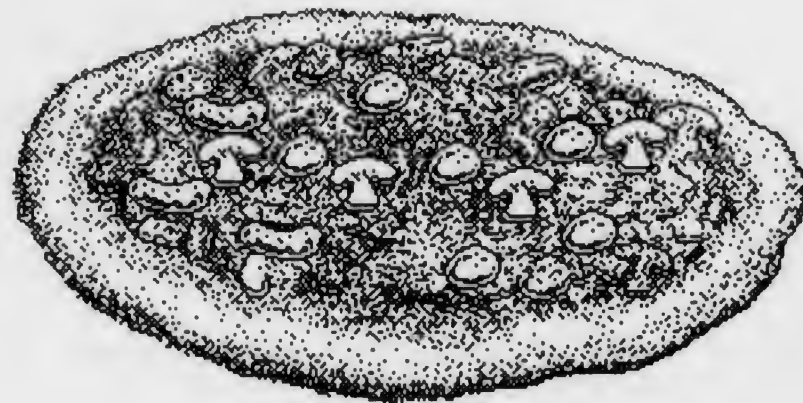
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Do you ever wonder if there are other people in this world with a learning or physical disability? Well, you're not alone! Studnets Overcoming Life's Difficulties (SOLD) can help!!! There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, November 20 at 3 p.m. in 207 Retan for all interested people. If you are interested or have any questions call Tori at x5160.

**THE RICHARD BEY SHOW** is coming to Mansfield University. Come to Steadman Theatre Monday, November 25. The show begins at 6:00 p.m. Admission is FREE to MU students. (Another MAC sponsored event!!!)

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## I'm thankful for this headline

**Amber E. Lakits:** I'm thankful for many things, most of all I am thankful for passing comm. law and for my dog, Max. I'm also thankful for the *Highlander* for making 7:00 p.m. a lot more interesting than homework. I'm very thankful my parents bought me a car and that I have an internship to drive it to. I'd also like to thank my family for letting me move back home rent free next semester! A special thanks to Claudia, Speedy and the late Sitting Bull for just being you!

**Josh Cusatis:** I'm thankful for the randomness of the universe. I am also thankful that my education is what I make of it and not what my professors make of it and also that mediocrity is not the only alternative. I am thankful that I have the possibility of an intellect and I'm thankful for what this means in my life. I'm thankful for Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. and that I have the ability to write music that communicates what I'm thinking in my head in a way that is at least interesting. I am equally as thankful for Heather.

**Nancy P. Corbo:** What am I thankful for, one may ask? Well, interesting question. The reason why I say that is simply because this year I am thankful for only *one* thing. That would be my father's kidney. If it weren't for that, I simply would not be here to write this part of the editorial. Other than that, I'm *not* thankful for the endless affliction and infirmity taking place in the lives of the innocent individuals in our world today. Oh! I'm also thankful for the other men who saved my life, my boyfriend Matt and my brother Jeff for trying.

**Chris McGann:** I suppose that I am thankful that this is my last semester on campus. It has been an interesting and exciting three and a half years. The best experiences that I have had here were when I was challenged to think for myself. Now I am ready for the rest of my life. Along with this, I am thankful that I got an internship with the *Williamsport Sun Gazette*. I am thankful that I have had the chance to write for the *Flashlight*. Finally, after all of the stress and sleepless nights, I am thankful to be turning the reigns over to someone else.

**Darren A. Meehan:** I guess the most important thing I am thankful for is that my family and friends are around to celebrate another holiday. I am thankful that, even though I live so far away from them, we still communicate often and I know I have a place to go when in need. Third, I am thankful that I finally got to see Pearl Jam in concert. I am also thankful to live in a society that embraces freedom of speech - otherwise I REALLY wouldn't be able to find a job in journalism.

**Ian Kaiser:** I am thankful that I am not anyone else, anywhere else, doing anything else, or pretending to be anything I am not. I am thankful for love, without which I would be having a horrible semester. Life, sunlight, computers, learning, coffee, good movies, strange animals, happiness, laughter, cheese, alcohol, babies, and books are all things that make me thankful that the universe hasn't imploded yet. I am thankful for thought, without which I would be fiendishly bored.

**Gene Yager:** I am thankful that there are still some people left in this world that go against the grain until the end. I am also thankful that many of those people happen to be friends of mine. Also, I am thankful that nothing has grown old in the grand scheme of things as we sit in our gazebo, far away from the rest of the wolves. Finally, as I grow into the night, I am thankful that nobody has changed us, even when we were faced with pressured conformity, and the penalties that came with dissolving their pompous regimes.



## New informational resource available in North Hall library

*SearchBank* represents one of the newest trends in information technologies and it's currently available free-of-charge to anyone on campus. Comprised of three indexes - Health Reference Center, Business Index ASAP, and Expanded Academic ASAP (a "catch-all" database covering topics from astronomy to zoology) - *SearchBank* provides citations, abstracts, and/or full-text for more than 2.5 million sources representing more than 2,500 journals, pamphlets, brochures, and other professional publications.

In addition to its breadth and depth of coverage, *SearchBank* has several other appealing features. For one, daily updates give users up-to-the-minute access to current information. Moreover, access to *SearchBank* is provided via the

Internet. As such, navigating this resource will be quite familiar to "surfers" and will be easy to learn for "newbies." A "backfile" option provides better retrospective coverage than most CD-ROM indexes - the latter often typically only go back to the early 1990's. Finally, a "PowerTrac" mode provides a number of advanced search features enabling users to focus their searches (e.g. by journal name, author, multiple terms).

Because many of the citations are full-text (i.e. can be read, saved, and/or printed right from the terminal), *SearchBank* is a time-saving research tool. Roughly 1,100 of the sources indexed are available in full-text. In addition, a "Full-text with graphics" message indicates citations which contain lists, charts, pictures, and/or other graphics. As always, items

which we don't have may be obtained via Inter-library Loan (ILL).

Four terminals in the Reference Section provide a direct link. If these terminals are busy, you can access *SearchBank* by accessing the MU Cybrarian link on the Mansfield University Homepage on the World Wide Web. The *SearchBank* link will be found under "Library Resources." Unfortunately, *SearchBank* can currently only be accessed via a networked computer and is not available to off-campus users. To learn more about how to access and use this new information tool, please contact a member of the Reference Staff.

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### Letters to the Editor Policy

The *Flashlight* is always interested in what our readers are thinking. As a way of offering the entire campus community access to this newspaper, we encourage you to write us and let us know what is on your mind.

We are interested in printing anything that raises the level of debate on almost any issue, with a few exceptions. That means that you can write to us about nearly anything and expect to see it in the paper.

We will not print personal attacks. Such assaults tend to be emotional trash. We will not print letters without an individual's signature. Even when the letter is submitted by a group or organization it must carry the writers' signatures. Unsigned letters tell us the writer is unwilling to take responsibility for the letter's content. So, why should we?

In order to preserve an ample amount of space to provide a diversity of opinions, we ask writers to submit no more than two letters a month. We also ask that you keep your letters between 300 and 400 words.

The *Flashlight* reserves the right to condense or edit your letter for the sake of length or clarity. Letters should be typed and double spaced. They can be dropped off at the *Flashlight* office, 217 Memorial Hall, Monday through Friday, or mailed to the above address.

### Commentary Policy

Anyone interested in writing a longer commentary may turn it in to the *Flashlight* office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Submissions should be 600-1000 words typed and include the writers name, major, class, and phone number. Non-students are also welcome to submit. In the event that we receive more than one commentary a week we reserve the right to print the commentary we choose.



# A message from the faculty

Dear State System Student:

You know us -- we're your professors. You also probably know that as of today contract negotiations between the faculty union, APSCUF, and the State System are stalled. Perhaps you haven't been told why the negotiations process has failed to produce tangible results.

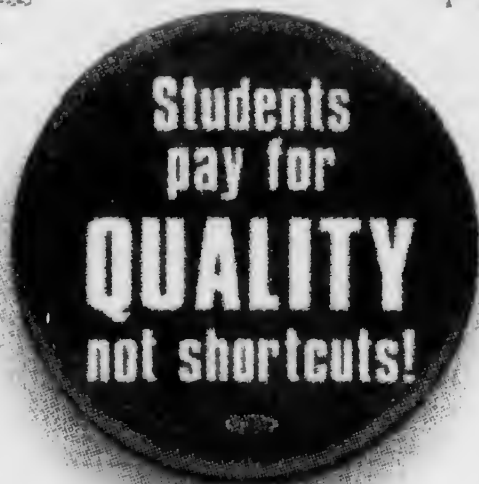
The answer is simple. APSCUF refuses to sacrifice the quality of your State System education -- today or in the future.

We have long been supporters of this unique network of 14 universities. Our organization began in 1937 as a professional faculty organization at Pennsylvania's Teacher Colleges. From day one, we took great pride in delivering on the promise of higher education.

The fact is APSCUF was the driving force behind Act 188 which in 1982 created the State System of Higher Education. It was a team of local professors, state APSCUF officers, and APSCUF's staff that made the State System a reality. Today APSCUF continues to work hard on Capitol Hill on behalf of both the State System and you, our 95,000 students.

It's clear that the focus of this contract negotiation is **QUALITY**. Your professors don't just want to maintain quality -- we want to **ENHANCE** it! The State System is proposing contract language that would diminish the faculty's role in shared governance and lead to an overall erosion of the quality education the faculty works hard to deliver.

The State System's mission is to provide high quality, public higher education to Pennsylvanians. But as we examine the State System's contract proposals, we believe System management deserves an "F" in quality management.

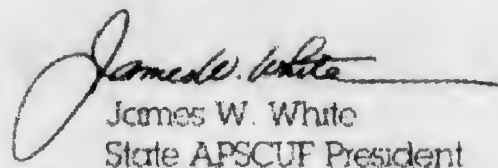


As your professors, we are proud of the fact that we instruct you every day -- not graduate assistants. When you have problems, we are there to offer guidance and support. If the State System's current proposals were enacted, you would be greeted by a dramatic increase in temporary faculty and teaching associates, as well as graduate assistants teaching without direct guidance from a faculty member.

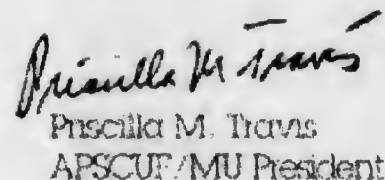
Do you want to be instructed by this increasing number of temporary faculty who are often full-time employees elsewhere? Or by graduate assistants who are just now working on their masters degrees and may well have been your classmates the previous semester? APSCUF faculty feel you pay for quality instruction not shortcuts!

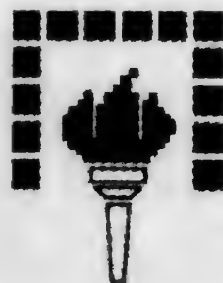
Please share your feelings with both faculty and university management. Faculty members will be honored to discuss issues with you. Look for the button they wear proudly. And, when you see university managers, let them know you pay for quality -- not shortcuts!

Sincerely,

  
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# Out of Context

## Thumbscrews for your mind

by Ian Kaiser

huh? oh yeah, editor of confusion

Finals time is rapidly approaching. I'm sure you wanted to be reminded of that. Since everyone knows that this is the most laid back, boring, and easy time of the year, when many of us have nothing better to do than sit around our rooms and clean a semester's worth of gunk out of our ears with the pointy end of an ice pick (note: do not try this at home), I thought that I'd share some of my twisted little thoughts with you, so you can blow your mind on something other than unbridled academia. I will not be held responsible if you spend the rest of the semester sitting bolt upright in bed, trying vainly to get some sleep, and completely unable to stop pondering the notions I will endeavor to set forth here. Do not come cry on my shoulder if you fail all your finals because you couldn't concentrate due to your obsession with my confusing and obscure ideas. After all, I live with these thoughts every day. You can deal with it.

Question the First: Say you're the invisible man (or woman as the case may be). You spend all your time doing the things you yourself would do if you really were invisible (for most people this consists of winning a lot of money at dice, watching other people do whatever you're interested in seeing other people do, and being very lonely due to the fact that it's not very easy to get a date when no one can see you). Then, one fine day, you happen to meet a blind girl. This blind person looks at you (in a manner of speaking). Are you invisible to her? This question is along the same lines of "If a tree falls out of an airplane and crashes into a major metropolitan area and kills the only three people around while they are standing outside a theater playing the 432nd season of Cats and no one else is around to hear it except the drunk guy in the next alley who is passed out and deaf to boot does it make a sound?" or "If you leave your favorite yellow ball sitting on the stairs, and when your father comes down for dinner, reading his paper and carelessly not looking where he is going, steps on the ball, which flies one way at an initial velocity of 3.20 m/s while your father does a graceful triple gainer down the steps impacting with the floor with a force of 1623 N, breaking his tailbone, and unaware of this fact comes after you with murderous intent until he stops dead in his tracks thinking he has gone blind, largely due to the fact that there is a UFO the size of North America hovering over your house, consequently disrupting the flow of electricity all over the planet, plunging it into a hitherto unknown state of utter blackness and preparing to extract 7/10 of the world's population for use as slaves in the Thuriddium mines on Fericlone 6, is the ball still yellow?" Some would call these moot points, but these are the things that keep me up at night.

Question the Second: By some sequence of events you come into possession of the only functioning time machine in the world. Once you've become bored with making yourself fabulously wealthy by going back to 1980 or so and buying stock in some company

no one had ever heard of called Microsoft, you decide to fiddle with paradoxes a little. You travel forward in time about 100 years and look up the date of your own death. You then travel with all speed to the exact moment of your death, and transport your about to die self back to the moment of your birth and leave yourself there. What now? Do you live forever, do you just die like you would have anyway, does your life become an endlessly repeating cycle (sort of like "I Love Lucy" reruns), or does the universe get so disgusted with your actions that it decides to forego the formalities and simply blow up? Does it really matter anyway?

Question the Third: What is infinity anyway? Many things are infinite (such as the universe and the length of a straight line bisecting a plane) and many more things are unbelievably monumental in size so as appear infinite, when they are, in fact, actually finite (such as the length of the average Physics final or the distance from here to Wal-Mart on foot). There is an infinite number of numbers, since you can keep on counting (provided you don't lose your place at seventeen octillion nine hundred

eighty three trillion one hundred thirty three thousand and two) for an infinite period of time and never reach the end. So can any one number actually be finite, since it is part of infinity? And if it can, would a computer starting at 0 and counting whole numbers at an unbelievable (but not quite infinite) rate of speed approach the border between the finite and the infinite in a finite or an infinite amount of time? And is there even a border between finite and infinite or are they two completely separate entities? If there is no border, how can there be an infinite number of numbers?

Question the Fourth: Does time really exist? Most people will swear up and down, left and right, and nine ways to Sunday that it does. But I have seen several things that convince me it really doesn't. For example, almost anywhere you go, happy hour actually lasts two hours. This makes most people very happy, but it makes me cringe. I don't understand how time can change speeds in relation to what you are doing. Why should a second go by quicker when you are wrapped up in flossing your chinchilla's nose (or doing whatever it is that you enjoy)? And if time really ex-

ists and is the sort of overreaching, universal constant that everyone takes it to be, why does it require so much upkeep? Only something we made up could possibly require daylight savings time and leap year. How could an infallible and amazing thing like time need us to add in a day every four years? And shouldn't everyone, everywhere on the planet be experiencing the same hour? Why don't all the people in the world celebrate the new year (the earth's completion of one full circuit around the sun) at the same exact moment, instead of at a different hour per time zone and possibly even a different day due to different calendars?

Due to space constraints, I will not be able to pose any more brain numbing questions for you to spend the rest of the semester pondering. So, if I haven't done an adequate job of it, you'll have to confuse yourself, and stop relying on me to do it. Believe me, it's not that hard. I confuse myself all the time. I'll bet you never would have guessed. Yes, it's sad but true. Hopefully I have managed to share some of my confusion with you. Don't worry, I'm not about to run out. I've got more than enough to go around.

## University<sup>2</sup>

by Frank Cho





# Mountie football team loses last game of season

by Amber Lakits  
sports editor

The Mansfield University Mountaineer football team lost their last game of the season Saturday, November 16 to Clarion University at Karl Van Norman Field.

In what would be the last Mountie football game for eight graduating seniors, the Mounties dropped a 69-26 decision to the Golden Eagles.

The Mounties came into the game looking for their fourth win of the season while hoping to have junior runningback Jason Donadi reach the 1,000-yard rushing mark for the first time in MU history.

Both wishes would be denied. Donadi finished the year strong with 917 yards on the ground.

Clarion took a 35 point lead in the first quarter alone starting on an 8-yard run and one yard run by Steve Witte. Witte, along with fellow team mate Ron DeJidas, both rushed for 1,000 yards on the season.

This marked the first time in Clarion's history they had two 1,000-yard rushers in one season.

With less than five minutes in the first quarter, the Golden Eagles scored three touchdowns, one on a 29-yard punt return off a Matt Hanley blocked punt.

Mansfield did strike first in the second quarter when Donadi scored his first touchdown of the game on a one yard run.

Freshman quarterback Lucas Smith connected with Joe Povenski in the end zone for the two point conversion, making the score 35-8.

After a Clarion drive, Smith connected with freshman Nate Davis on a 10-yard pass with :24 left to play in the half.

Donadi would score the first and final touchdowns of the second half for the Mounties. His second touchdown of the game came on a 57-yard pass from Smith making the score 49-20.

Clarion would score three more times, adding insult to injury before Donadi closed out the scoring for the Mounties on his third touchdown of the day. Smith connected with Donadi on a 28-yard pass run in for the final score.

The final score stood with Clarion ahead 69-26. Clarion improved their record to 9-2 on the season while the Mounties fell to 3-8.

Senior Jim Nicholson, who played in his last game as a Mountie, made the record books, picking up his seventh interception of the game. This ties him for the single season interception record. He also had seven tackles in the game and one pass break-up.



Photo by Thad Woodward

Mountie football senior cornerback Jim Nicholson led the PSAC-East in interceptions with seven this season.

Matt Williams lead the Mounties attack in tackles with 10. Senior Joel Kargbo had nine tackles and a quarterback sack for six yards. Senior Mike Sedun had seven tackles, including two for a 5-yard loss.

Hanley contributed eight tackles, picking up an interception for 11-yards.

Smith was 21-47 for 312-yards. Smith was 125-312 with 1689-yds and six touchdowns. Donadi rushed for 51 yards while picking up 113-yards in the air.

Pete Herchik had four catches for 61-yards while graduating senior Povenski picked up 56-yards on three catches. Davis had 60-yards on five catches.

The Mountaineers finish the year tripling their win total from last season.

## Four Mountie football players awarded All-PSAC Honors

special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University Mountaineer football seniors Nate Gibson and Jim Nicholson, along with junior Barth Carson were named to 1st Team All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Eastern Division honors while senior Joel Kargbo was a second team selection in voting by the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference-East coaches.

The All-PSAC Football team was announced Wednesday, November 20 by assistant commissioner Steve Murray.

For the 6-5, 305 Gibson, it marks his second straight season as 1st Team All-PSAC East center. Gibson, a preseason All-American selection, anchored the offensive line for the Mountaineers for the past three seasons.

He is being given serious consideration by numerous NFL teams.

Nicholson, 5-11, 185, moved up to first team this season after being a second team All-PSAC East selection in 1995. A three year starter, Nicholson led the PSAC in interceptions with seven from his cornerback spot. He also led the

team in tackles with 71, including a team best 57 solo's.

Carson, 6-4, 300, was selected at tackle where he teamed with Gibson on the offensive line that produced an average 308.4 yards per game. Despite playing hurt most of the season, Carson started all 11 games.

The Mountaineers were the only team in the PSAC East to have two first team offensive linemen selections.

Kargbo, 6-3, 265, was named to the All-PSAC East team for the third straight year. A first team selection in 1994, Kargbo was a second team selection last year. Kargbo was the second leading tackler on the team this season with 60 stops, including 51 solo's.

He also led the team in tackles for a loss with five and sacks with seven.

Noticeably absent from the All-PSAC team was Mountaineer junior running back Jason Donadi.

The fourth leading rusher in the PSAC-East this season, Donadi, a second team selection last season, finished the year with 917-yards, second best in school history.

## Swim team defeats Lock Haven

by Jackie Williams  
sports reporter

The Mansfield University women's swimming and diving team is breaking records all over the place.

Last Thursday, November 14, the women drowned Lock Haven University with a combined team score of 109-89. Four new Mansfield University records were set in the dual meet.

Freshman, Nikki Noaeill broke two school records in the 200 meter freestyle and the 100 meter backstroke, with times of 2:06.35 and 1:02.43.

In the 200 IM, senior co-captain Amy Dugo put another one in the record books, swimming her race in 2:35.02.

Dugo, Noaeill, co-captain Molly Schounour and Vickie Podwicka

combined to stroke out another record in the 100 meter relay in a time of 1:47.69.

Podwicka also took two victories in the 50 and 100 meter freestyle events.

According to Head Coach Diane Heydt, the team has been training very hard since the season began and all the work is starting to pay off in winning meets and record-breaking performances.

Dugo attributes a lot of the team's success thus far to their new head coach.

"Coach Heydt pushes us," Dugo said. "Our practices are very intense and we have a coach that really cares about what we're doing and how we are swimming."

### End of season

#### 1996 Mansfield University Football Statistics

Passing	Att.	Comp	Cmp%	Yds	TD	Int	Sack
L. Smith	312	125	.401	1689	6	16	16
M. Keating	44	23	.523	218	0	0	14
Receiving	No.	Yds.	TD	Rushing	Att	Yds	TD
				J. Donadi	254	917	5
J. Donadi	38	320	2	D. Banyar	13	49	0
M. Hanley	2	50	0	L. Smith	95	273	4
N. Davis	29	519	2	L. Brannon	66	250	3
L. Brannon	3	14	0	N. Davis	8	38	0
M. Brezovech	3	58	0	J. Ludwig	3	71	1
P. Herchik	19	312	0				
J. Williams	16	142	0	<b>Punting</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds.</b>	<b>Av.</b>
J. Povenski	25	350	1	M. Hanley	75	2587	34.5
Interceptions	No	Yds	TD	Blocks	Xpt	Pnt	FG
J. Nicholson	7	98	0				
C. Morrison	1	9	0				
J. Ludwig	1	1	0	<b>Kickoff Returns</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>
M. Hanley	2	19	0	L. Brennon	16	226	0
M. Williams	1	1	0	D. Banyar	16	283	0
J. Grier	1	0	0	J. Williams	25	427	0
				J. VanOrden	1	5	0
<b>Punt Returns</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	R. Entrot	1	10	0
J. Williams	18	91	0				
J. Curto	1	5	0				
<b>Sacks:</b> Joel Kargbo (7-64yds), Jim Ludwig (1-8yds), Matt Guzevich (1-6yds), Joe Scriba (.5-6 yds)							
Scoring	TD	Rn	Rc	Rt	Xpt	FG-A	PTS
J. Donadi	7						42
L. Smith	4	0-0					26
J. Johnston					8-11	4-6	20
L. Brannon	3						18
J. Ludwig	1						6
N. Davis	1						6



# Mountie men's hoops start off with victory

by Jason Feather  
sports reporter

With only two starters returning from last year's team, Coach Tom Ackerman took his Mansfield Mountaineers Men's Basketball team on the road Wednesday night to open up their 1996-97 campaign.

The Mounties met up with, perennial Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference West power, Shippensburg University. The Mounties won the game, 99-93.

Mansfield's first points of the year came from on a Kenny Woseley (12 points, 3 rebounds) jumper sandwiched between two lay-ups by Ship's Kevin Lee (13 pts, 10 rebs, 2 assists).

Mansfield took the lead with 18:50 remaining in the first half, and didn't relinquish it until another Lee lay-up gave Ship a 14-13 edge with 14:49 left in the half.

Twelve lead changes occurred

in an eight minute span, until with 6:39 left to play before halftime, the Mounties Kevin Perluk's (5 pts) three pointer gave Mansfield the lead they would never surrender the rest of the game.

The largest of the leads for the Mounties was 15 points, and came via a Lawrence Culver lay-up with 19:16 remaining in the game.

"It was a nice win," coach Ackerman said. "It was our first time out, and Ship already had two games."

One of those two games came against a team that was ranked number four in the nation in Division II. Ship won that game.

"They were already tested," Ackerman continued.

Ackerman had high praise for his two returning starters, senior captain Louis Judson and sophomore Steve Shannon.

"Juddy and Steve did a great job for us," Ackerman said. "Steve controlled the boards, pulling down nine offensive, and Juddy hit the big shot when

we needed it."

Just to show how key both Shannon and Judson's performances were all you had to do was look at the stat sheet.

Shannon's performance included game highs in both points (26) and rebounds (15), in 35 minutes of play.

Judson chipped in with 24 points on 9 of 16 shooting, including 6 of 10 from beyond the arc. He also dished out 3 assists in playing all but one minute of the game.

Ackerman was also impressed with red-shirted freshman Tom Harvey.

Harvey playing in just his first collegiate game of his career, showed signs of nervousness, turning the ball over eight times. However, he did score 6 points and served up 7 assists.

"Tommy did struggle at times, but that wasn't indicative of the performance he is capable of,"

Ackerman said of the young point guard. "You have to remember he sat out for a whole year last year."

"When we pressed," Ackerman continued. "He did everything he was asked to do."

The team, as a whole, did well offensively and defensively.

On the offensive end, the team shot 51% from the field, and 46% from beyond the 3-point line. The Mounties pulled down 18 rebounds and passed out 16 assists in the process of scoring their 99 points.

Mansfield's trip to the foul line proved to be effective, as the team shot 64% from the charity stripe.

Defensively, they forced Ship to turn over the ball 24 times, and came away with 20 rebounds, allowing the Red Raiders to hit 35 of 66 shots for 53% from the field.

Ackerman will be looking for more of the same when the Mounties season continues on Tuesday night with a home game against Clarion University.

## Women's b-ball shake off Clarion; defeated by Daemen

by Jill Mancini  
sports reporter

Senior Sarah Barr scored a game high 20 points, including 6 of 8 three-pointers, in leading Mansfield to a 73-70 win over Clarion last Saturday afternoon at the IUP Tip-Off Classic.

Barr hit three 3-pointers in the final four minutes of the first half as the Mountaineers took a 36-27 lead at halftime.

After Clarion would rally in the second half to take a 47-45 lead with 11:37 to play, Barr hit another three-

pointer that gave the Mountaineers the lead for good.

Michele Jeffery scored 16 points and 11 rebounds while Becky Dutko added 18 points.

"I think Clarion was one of the biggest wins since I've been here," added junior Jill Masker.

Clarion has won the PSAC-West from 1991-95 and has advanced to the NCAA playoffs during four of the last five years.

"I was very impressed for our first outing. The IUP Tourney was very special to us. We were ready to play and ready to win," said Mansfield

University's women's head basketball coach Jennifer Lynch.

"At IUP, we came out ready to play," said sophomore guard Lauren Martin.

On Wednesday night, however, the team's performance told a different story when Daemen College defeated the Mountaineers with a final score of 65-64. Daemen, once again, goes undefeated.

"This was definitely a learning experience. The team lacked intensity and decided, with ten minutes left of playing time, that it was time to play. We had problems, also, just with

the execution of plays," said Lynch.

Senior co-captain Jeffery had the team high of 13 points.

"In the IUP Tourney we played with the intensity we always need to play with in order to go on to have a successful season. Against Daemen we didn't have the same heart. This is not going to be a total set back for the rest of the season, though," said Jeffery.

The Mansfield Mountaineers face West Virginia Wesleyan at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 26 in Decker Gymnasium.

The Mansfield women are 1-2 on the season.

## Mountie grapplers compete at UNC Pembroke Classic

by J.P. Fella & J. Wilson  
sports reporters

The Mansfield University wrestling team competed at University of North Carolina at Pembroke Wrestling Classic on November 15 and 16.

"We wrestled tough, even though we were missing a lot of key guys who were out with injuries. The young guys showed some promise, they wrestled tough even though they did not place", said head wrestling coach Hank Shaw.

For the Mounties, Miles Roe finished third at 142 lbs. along with Joel Brinker at 150 lbs. The only other wrestler to place was heavyweight Tim Tuttle who finished fourth.

"Miles and Joel are expected to do well against anyone they wrestle but Tim Tuttle had an outstanding tour-

namment. I think he is starting to gain a lot of confidence", said Shaw.

This weekend Mansfield will be wrestling at the Oneonta Invitational.

"This weekend we expect to have several wrestlers finish in the top six and 3 or 4 to finish in the top four and we hope to be back to full strength next weekend against Lycoming", said Shaw.

### Flashlight Athlete of the Week Sarah Barr



Sarah Barr has been named athlete of the week. She scored 20 points and hit on six three-pointers to lead the Mounties in victory over Clarion University.

**Amber, Joe and Feather wish everyone a happy and safe Thanksgiving. Watch out for the giblets.**

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Sports Views

What's wrong with pro athletes today?

by Robert Knowles  
sports reporter

Sports have changed tremendously in the past decade. One of the most upsetting aspects of sports that has changed is the attitudes and "bad habits" of the players. Drugs, drunk driving, and overall attitudes have started to taint the reputation of sports in the United States.

Let's start with the NFL. Some of the best players and most talented athletes have not only made fools of themselves, but have embarrassed the football industry. Bernard Williams of the Eagles was kicked out of the league for possession of marijuana. What type of athlete would be involved in illegal drugs to begin with?

Another guy, although one of the best receivers in the league, felt the need to contribute to the prostitution and cocaine industries. He was snorting the white stuff that police found six thousands dollars worth in his hotel room. The two exotic dancers found in his room were prostitutes.

Staying on the "drugs" topic, Dexter Manley, who played for the Redskins, also felt the need to get involved with cocaine. Someone with as much money as a great professional football player should have someone responsible handle their money. Five year olds could manage money better than some of these guys.

On a lighter note, bad attitudes and unsportsman-like conduct plague the NFL constantly. Deion Sanders seems to pride himself in making his presence known whenever possible. He always has something arrogant to say (usually advocating himself) and plays football for the money only. He could care less about the game and the true spirit of the sport.

Let's say for a minute that Michael Irving didn't get involved with drugs. His attitude alone makes people sick. He makes one decent catch and suddenly he becomes a dancer. He parades around the field and looks like a

total idiot. If him and Deion like dancing so much they should quit football and sign up for the Grind on MTV.

But it isn't only the players. The person that is supposed to be setting a good example, the coach, is more obnoxious than the players in some instances. A perfect example is Barry Switzer. he never gives a team credit if they beat his team. He usually says it was luck that he was beaten. Ironic how members of the Dallas Cowboys keep coming up.

Football isn't the only sport slowly being ruined by corrupt players and coaches. Baseball has had its share of problems. The most recent incident being Roberto Alomar's spitting in an umpire's face in front of a full stadium. Why he wasn't ejected for the rest of the season I don't know, but most people didn't watch baseball to see someone get spit on...until now. Albert Bell who was playing for Cleveland definitely left something to be desired last season when he was completely obnoxious towards fans, umpires, and other players.

The incident that sealed the envelope on his arrogance was when he recently turned down a forty one million dollar contract for five years. Was it not enough money? Hopefully that wouldn't be the case because it would mean that he doesn't care about the game at all and only about money. Nothing is new in today's sports.

Another sport that is infested with greedy athletes that only want to better their financial position is basketball. Shaq signed with the Lakers for over one hundred million dollars this year. Michael Jordan is making twenty five million a year. How can one justify the fact that Jordan can make that much and who O'neal? What makes one player so special?

One of the only players that I can remember that wasn't engrossed in

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his salary, had amazing talent, and a great attitude to players, fans, and the sports in general was Julius Erving. He was the epitome of a "great" player. Today we judge great players by talent only, and players judge each other by who is making the most money.

As for attitudes, in basketball I have two ridiculous words—Dennis

Rodman.

Sports have come a long way in terms of developing player styles, surfacing great coaches and athletes, and making amazing history. Hopefully, if the players who are degrading the glory and reputation of sports can be controlled, one of our nation's favorite past times will thrive again.

Please help your new sports editor

by Joe Wagner  
asst. sports editor

This your new sports editor Joe "Honus" Wagner sending a shout out to all the ESPN SportsCenter junkies out there. (In actuality, Amber Lakits is still the head sports editor, but I will ASSUME THE POSITION very soon). Don't think you are not addicted. Watching the same show and the same highlights over and over is the first symptom. If you do show any signs of addiction, watch ESPN2 and call me in the morning.

But anyway, I am (or will be) the new sports editor. And no longer will I have to respond to that nickname the real news reporters here at the Flashlight have given me: AS.SP.E.D. (when phonetically pronounced it is nothing but a demeaning acronym for assistant sports editor).

Back to the subject at hand, I am going to have some big shoes to fill. Amber has a very large pair of size 6's. But hopefully, and with the help of an outstanding staff of sports reporters, WHO WILL ALWAYS GET QUOTES BEFORE HANDING IN A STORY, I can carry on the torch of Flashlight Sports.

So here it comes, the trite and hackneyed question, asked by every new editor that moves his way from assistant to Chief. What would you people like to see in the Flashlight Sports pages. For example: Should I ask Keith Olberman or Dan Patrick to contribute a column bi-weekly. Or maybe Chris Berman would like to drop Mansfield a line now and again. Possibly we could print the script of Dan Dierdorf's anal and obnoxious commentary during Monday Night Football.

But seriously, I don't want the only people to read our sports pages to be athletes to see if their name gets in the paper. I, and the rest of the sports staff will push the limits of objectivity to make our favorite Mountaineers look good. If I were a student athlete I would check the paper too, but as the new editor, I would like these pages to appeal to everybody. I'm not saying that these pages don't already, but as of right now the only people that I know of that read the sports pages are me, student athletes, and my grandma (she never misses a week).

So hey, don't think I'm being a jerk, but send me a line or give me a call, especially if you would like to join our prestigious staff of sports reporters. My telephone number is 662-2516.

Flashlight Athlete  
of the Week  
Steve Shannon



Steve Shannon has been named Flashlight Co-Athlete of the Week. Shannon scored a career high 26 points and had 15 rebounds in the Mounties 99-93 victory over Shippensburg University Wednesday.

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Have a Great Break!



# "A Point of Order" opens to enthusiastic audience

## Performance to entertain university throughout weekend

by Josh Cusatis  
assistant features editor

The play, "A Point of Order," by Ed Simpson, opened to an enthusiastic crowd Thursday night in Straughn Hall.

The action of the play takes place in a meeting room on the second floor of the fictional Buck Drum Community Center and concerns a small town committee in fictional Randolphsburg, Pa. The plot concerns how the committee tries to organize a festival for to welcome a local boy made good; a man who became a national hero by becoming a NASA astronaut and spending six days in space observe bees mating in weightlessness.

"No matter what you call it, its still bees screwing," said Milton Porter, a committee member played by student Theo Soufflas.

A number of problems arise in the course of the festival planning. For starters, the committee is \$15,000 short on a statue that is supposed to be erected in the her honor also, nobody in the town actually cares about the festival and, of course, the committee can't get along with each other.

Each of the characters have very distinct personalities that clash as the festival is planned. By the end of the first act, the tension among the characters becomes unbearable.

This is evidenced by Milton calling Douglas Scanlon, another committee member played by Mark Smith, a "jerk."

The tension is finally broken in the second act when local millionaire Buck Drum, played by Brian Berry, comes to a planning meeting and pro-

poses an offer that would get the committee out of their financial troubles.

Drum then turns the meeting into total chaos by throwing numerous clauses into the proposal and by antagonizing the members of the committee.

Throughout the play everyone seems to have a problem: Doug attacks all of the ideas that are proposed by the committee; Milton complains about his failing health; Elizabeth Rutley, a committee member played by Leanna Woodward, "sucks up" to all of the characters; and the other characters fight from opposite ends of the table on every issue.

The plays comes of very funny and the production of the play very smoothly except that there was a lot of stumbling in the dialogue which should really be overlooked due to the quick production time of the play (the play was organized and rehearsed for only three weeks.)

In the case of Milton, the stumbling can be over looked because the character is very tense and in real life a person with a personality like that would probably stumble in their speech. This was obviously unplanned but because of the character it works very well.

The physical acting in the play was very good, especially by Berry and Smith, but all of the actors seemed to need to concentrate on their performances to make the impression that what was going on on the stage was real life.

The sets for the play were exceptional and no detail seemed to be left uncovered. One could even see even buildings and other sets in the background of the windows in the main office. This helped broaden the play and show that the room was not the entire universe in the context of the production.

"We have an extremely high unemployment rate that we're very proud of"

It was the small touches such as this which made the sets a pleasure to look at, merely because of the small amount of props used in the play.

The author of the play, Ed Simpson, is an English professor at Indiana University of Pennsylvania whose exposure to theatre started in high school. He did a lot of acting in high



photo by Megan Sallade

Pictured above performing in "A Point of Order" are, left to right, Leanna Woodward as Elizabeth Rutley, Melissa Enama as Muriel Hudak, Theo Soufflas as Milton Porter, and Mark Smith as Douglas Scanlon.

school and then became a theatre major at Guilford College in North Carolina. He also did a little directing before he started play writing.

Simpson said that he got the idea for "A Point of Order" in 1983 when actor Jimmy Stewart, an Indiana, Pa native turned 57 years old. Apparently, the turn of events that takes place in the play actually happened in Indiana in 1983 when the town tried to honor their local hero.

Simpson said that things may not have happened exactly the way they did in the play, but things are pretty close.

Simpson said that he came up with the ideas for the characters in 1988 and that all of the characters are based on people he knows.

When he began writing the play in 1988, he said he hit a snag in the writing and put the play down for a while. Simpson said that he then picked the play up again a couple of years later and finished it in about two months.

"I had a problem because I couldn't work with how I had the relationship between Elizabeth and Larry," Simpson said. "The play originally started with them making love and I then decided to take that out and things went smoothly from then on."

Simpson said that once he got going with the play he would work on it every chance he got.

"I would take it with me to the YMCA when my daughter was taking swimming lessons and work on it there or when my son was at soccer practice," Simpson said.

Simpson also said that the play has been revised a number of times since it was first shown and is constantly be-

ing revised.

"I cut about two pages out of the play after it was first shown," Simpson said.

Simpson said that he wrote the play because he wanted to bring some attention to Indiana, Pa.

"We have an extremely high unemployment rate that we're very proud of," Simpson said. "That's one of the reasons that I thought Indiana would be a good subject for a play."

"A Point of Order" will be shown on Friday, November 22 at 8 p.m. and on Saturday, November 23 at 8 p.m. It will also be shown on Sunday, November 24 at 2 p.m.

### A POINT OF ORDER

A Comedy by  
Ed Simpson

Directed by A. Vernon Lapps  
**Cast**  
(in order of appearance)

Larry Mitchell - Thomas Beers

Elizabeth Rutley - Leanna Woodward

Milton Porter - Theo Soufflas

Muriel Hudak - Melissa Enama

Douglas Scanlon - Mark Smith

Buck Drum - Brian Berry



photo by Brent McCallus

Playwrite Ed Simpson takes questions on his play "A Point of Order"

## CALENDAR

MU Theatre department presents  
"A Point of Order"

Friday, November 22, 8pm  
Saturday, November 23, 8pm  
Sunday, November 24, 2pm  
Straughn auditorium

Friday, November 11  
Jazz ensemble concert

Saturday, November 23

2pm Swim team at home versus Millersville and Alfred.  
3pm Erin Noble/Teresa Forringer joint senior oboe trombone recital in Steadman theatre.  
8pm Combined choirs concert in Steadman theatre.  
8pm Mens basketball away at Shippensburg.

Wrestling away at Oneonta Invitational.

Sunday, November 24

2pm Marcia Wesp senior piano recital in Steadman theatre.  
7pm MU symphony orchestra concert - Pablo Cohen, guitar soloist in Steadman theatre.

Monday, November 25

6pm "The Richard Bey Show" at Steadman

9pm SGA meeting

Tuesday, November 26

Students/faculty follow Friday schedule.  
6pm Womens basketball at home versus West Virginia Wesleyan college in Decker gym.  
8pm Everybody go away!